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Orange Town Augst 11th 1779.

Dear Sir,

I am happy to hear by one of the Soldiers who was under your Command when you lay at this place, that you are recovered from the disorder which has a long time troubled you. — I hope you will excuse my not writing to you before this as I knew not where to direct my Letter. — I am to acknowledge the Receipt of one from you some time since, and rest Assured it shall be no small satisfaction to me to hear from you as often as Opportunities shall offer, for your readiness and Vigilance upon all occasions to protect this part of the Country, in which you was an intire Stranger, has endeared you to those of the inhabitants who are friends to their Country, of which number I trust I am one —

The Inhabitants of Closter have suffered some since you left us, tho not as much as might have been expected from their Situation, and I believe that the enemy were no Gainers the last time they were there, for the Militia handled them so rough that they left two of their men behind together with seven Muskets and several other Articles. —

My self and Family keep Stirring tho none of us are Very Hearty, it is a Sickly time in this place, — It Grows Dark I must Conclude,

I am Sir Your Sincere Friend
& Very Humble Servt
John Haring

P.S. my wifes
Compliments
to you —

Lieut. Hays.

Lieut. Robt. Hays
of the North Carolina
Brigade

Highlands

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of the North Carolina
Brigade

Highlands

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Knoxville July 11th

Dear Sir

I have agreeable to my promise Given Mr Hall the bearer a recommendation to you and your friends of Cumberland - and I flatter myself that he will prove to be an honest young Man -

His diffidence in a great measure arises for a want of small knowledge of arethmitic - which I think will be remo[ved] by your kind assistance - he is fond of study. Hunting, and other inocents amusements - knowing your situation as a frontier inhabitant, and natural goodness of heart - great and benificent consequences will be the result —

As usual in great Hast

I remain with every sentiment of profound respect

Dear Sir

Your Affectional Friend

Andrew Jackson Esquire

Wm Pickard

NB It is needless to mention Mr Halls disposition is Amiable

Andrew Jackson Esquire
Att. at Law
Mr. Overton — white [illegible] Nashville

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The address
1796 he was
Senator, Judg

Andrew Jackson Esquire
Att at Law
[illegible] Nashville

Mr Overton

The address
after 1796 he was
man, Senator, Jud

William Blount Governor in and over the Territory of the United States of America South of the River Ohio—

To all who shall see these presents Greeting

Know ye that I do license Andrew Jackson Esquire of the County of Davidson to practise as an Attorney in the several Courts of Law and Equity in the said Territory—

Given under my hand and seal in the said Territory this fifteenth day of December one thousand seven hundred and ninety.

by the Governor

Danl Smith

Wm Blount

Andrew Jackson Esquire

License

Territory of the United States of America, South of the River Ohio.

This is to Certify whom it may Concern that Andrew Jackson Esquire of the County of Davidson did on this day take before me the Oath to Support the Constitution of the United States of America, and also an Oath of Office to Practise as an Attorney at Law in the Several Courts of Law and Equity in said Territory.

Nashville the 15th day of December 1790

John McNairy

Know all men by these presents that I Turner Williams of the County of Davidson and District of Mero have this day Bargained and Sold and Delivered and by these presents do Bargain and sell unto Andrew Jackson of the County and District aforesaid one Negro man formerly the property of a Certain Joseph Head about Seventy and twenty years old; now known by the Name of Tom formerly when in the possession of Joseph Head Called peter which said Negro the said Joseph Head Recovered out of the possession of the said Andrew at the Court held for the County of Sumner on the first monday of July 1792 and in and for the Consideration of Sixty pounds Virginia Currency to me in hand paid the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do bind myself my heirs &c to warrant & forever Defend the said Negro above mentioned unto the said Andrew Jackson his heirs &c from all persons or manner of persons laying any lawfull Claim or Claims to the said Negro in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of July 1792 and in the presence

Turner Williams (Seal)

of
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Joseph Gordon Jurat

John Kerin

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Territory of the United States of America South of the River Ohio
Davidson County Court July Term 1791 The within Bill of Sale was proven to be the Act and Deed of the said Turner Williams by the Oath of John Gordon one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and the same with the probate ordered to be Registered
Registered August 5th 1791
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Andw Ewing DC

Turner — Williams
to
Andw Jackson
Bill of Sale
of a Negro
man Slave
Named Tom
alias Peter
Recorded Aug 5th 1791

Know all men by these presents that I George A.
Sugg of the County of Davidson have this day
Bargained and sold unto Andrew Jackson of the
Same County one Negro Boy about six years
old Named Aaron which said Negro boy is now in
the possession of William Bowen and in and
for the Consideration of one hundred pounds
North Carolina Currency to me in hand paid by
the said Andrew Jackson the Receipt whereof is
hereby acknowledged do bind myself my heirs
Executors and administrators to warrent and
for Ever Defend the Right and property of the
said Negro boy aron to the said Andrew Jackson
his heirs and assigns for Ever from all and Every
person whatever laying any Claim or Claims
to the said Negro boy above mentioned and I do
hereby authorise the said Andrew Jackson to
Take the Negro boy into possession immediately
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this 21st day of December 1791
and in the presence of

1791

Geo. Sugg (Seal)

Robt Hays Jurat

Territory of the united States of America South of the River Ohio
Davidson County }

In court held for the said County January Term 1792 The within Bill of Sale was duly proven to be the Act and Deed of the said Suggs by the Oath of Robert Hays and the same is duly Recorded ... }

Andrew Ewing Clk

Bill of Sale
S. Suggs
to
A Jackson

Recorded May 14th 1792

Territory of the United States of America South of the River Ohio
Davidson County

In Court held for the said County January Term 1792 The Within Bill of Sale
Was duly proven to be the Act and Deed of the said Sugg by the Oath of Robert Hays
And the same is duly Recorded

Andrew Ewing Clk

Bill of Sale
G. A. Sugg
to
A Jackson

Recorded July 16th 1792

ROBERT I.

Lord Chief Joker *and* General Humbugger *of North-America*, West of the Apalachian Mountain:

To my beloved Son Samuel Donelson Esquire

- - - - - - - - - *Send Greeting.*

I HEREBY, HEREBY, AND HEREBY ONLY, do constitute and appoint YOU, my beloved and trusty Son, Samuel Donelson Esquire High Marechal of the High Court of the Lord Chief Joker & General Humbugger of North America West of the Apalachian Mountain

GIVEN under my hand and the great seal, on the First day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety two of the Christian Æra.

Robert Hays L. C. J.

By his Lordship's command,

Andrew Jackson *Attorney General.*

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Robertson J^s

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J. Donelson Esqr.

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Commission

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Sam Donelson

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February 1792

To the Honorable, the Speaker & House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assem-
-bled. —

Your Memorialist whose name is subscribed humbly shews to your Honorable body that he was appointed by the Assembly of North Caro-lina, attorney General for the District of Miro, now within the Territory of the United States South of the River Ohio, — That he receiv'd his Stipend from the said State, for the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine as a full compensation for his Services as attorney General that year —

Your Memorialist further Shews, that ~~[illegible] on [illegible] day of [illegible] in the year~~ and after the United States had assumed the Sovereignty of the said District, he had the honor to receive the same appointment from his Excellency William Blount Esqr. Governor of the said Territory, ~~that~~ That when he accepted of the Commission, under the authority of the United States, he flattered himself that he should receive the same salary from the Federal Government that he had formerly done from the

State of North Carolina, as your Memorialist
humbly conceived that, by the Conditions of the
Cession of the Said Territory, the operation and en-
joyment of every Law of North Carolina, ~~[illegible]~~ in-
compatable with the change of Government, was
secured to the Inhabitants of the Territory -
Under that impression, and an Idea that [illegible]
Congress when considering of the Great import-
=ance of the regular and punctual discharge
of the duties of that office to Society; would make
a n appropriation of public money for
my use, equivalent to my Salary under
the State of North Carolina, I have continued
to perform the functions of that office since
the commencement of your Government
and deprived of every advantage, I might
otherwise receive by appearing for delinquents
in the Courts of the said District, and with-
=out receiving any kind of recompence from
Government. I have herewith transmitted
to your Honourable body authentic docu-
=ments relative to the existence of the Law
and my Commission under the present
Government. With the most perfect confidence
that your honorable House will pay that attention
to the object of this Memorial which it deserves
~~[illegible]~~ and with the highest sentiment of
Respt & consideration I am your Mo Obt
Andrew Jackson

Know all Men by these presents that I William
Bowen of the County of Davidson & District of
Mero have this day Bargained & sold unto Andrew
Jackson a certain Negro Girl named Peg
about Twenty six years old: and in and for
a Valluable Consideration to me in hand
paid I do bind myself my heirs &c to warrant
and Defend the said Negro Girl named Peg
to the said Andrew Jackson his heirs & assigns
from me and my heirs for Ever and from
the Claim of no other Person in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
seal this 3d day of January 1793

Wm Bowen

Test

John Caffery Jurat

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Territory of the United States of America South of the River Ohio

Davidson County Court January Term 1793

The Execution of the Within Bill of Sale by Wm. Brown, Was duly proven by the Oath of John Caffrey a Subscribing Witness And the same With the probate is duly Recorded July 15th. 1793

Andw. Ewing

Capt Wm Bowen
To
Jackson
Bill of Sale
a Negro
Recorded July 15th 1793

Knoxville August 1st 1793

Brother Payne

Sir

A number of respectable Brethern in this Territory, on this side Cumberland Mountain, have been induced to believe, that considering we are become a seperate Government to ask it of right and more especially as a matter of convenience to ourselves and those who may in future wish to obtain Warrents for Lodges, to petition the Grand Lodge of the United States in Philadelphia for a Grand Lodge in this Territory to be constituted and held at the Seat of Government and being desirous to have you with those other respectable Brethren in Cumberland join with us in promoting so desireable an object, we have conceived it our duty to give you & thro' you the other Brethren in your Country previous notice that you may have an opportunity of joining with us in our petition, in order to facilitate the obtaining a Warrent for a Grand Lodge. — The officers must be nominated in our petition. We therefore will be glad to have some elevated character to fill the dignified office of Grand Master; — he must be a past Master, as likewise all the other officers; — we would propose the Governor if we knew him to be a Mason — if Judge McNairy is — we are well pleased, that he fill the office. —

(Turn over)

You will be so good as to give us the first safe opportunity yours and the Gentlemen of the fraternity's sentiments on our proposed matter; — We cannot at present ascertain the expence, but do not expect it will exceed a Hundred Dollars — which will be trifling amongst us, and if we obtain can soon reimburse ourselves from the monies that will no doubt accrue to the Grand Lodge for Warrents &Ca. —

Annexed you have the names of those who are we know will join in the petition. — and will thank you to send forward the names of those Gentlemen who will choose to second our views. —

Messrs. Grant, Nelson (of the Stanton Lodge, who resides at Rogersville) & Sommerville will be in Phila.da in the course of the ensuing fall and will attend to the business

You can vouch for their being M— which will be sufficient as you're known to us. — We are with great respect and esteem

Sir

Your Mo.t Obe.t Hum.e Serv.ts

James Grant

R. Walton

Jn. Sommerville

A List of the Brethren, on this side of
Cumberland Mountain, who will
Join in a petition for a Grand Lodge for this Territory.— viz.

Col. William Cocke
Mr. James Grant
" Alexa. Nelson
Col. Stockely Donelson
Mr. George Roulstone
" John Sommerville
" John Wray
" Thomas McCulloch
" John Hunt
Capt. Menifee

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Colo Robert Hayes
in
Cumberland

…Roulston
Letter

Knoxville 2d. March 1794

Dear Sir

with pleasure I recd. yours of the 11th Feby also acknowledge the Recpt. of some others and believe me Nothing has for a long time given me More real Satisfaction than your expressions of Friendship which I have every reason from experience to believe the Most Sincear and also my little Rachel. I feard my long absence and paying so little attention to you both I might with propriety be forgotten I am as usual harassed with business from every Quarter that I cannot attend to my friends as I aught to do – I still hold fast my resolution to visit you this Spring and am Enraptured with the pleasing Idea of Spending some agreeable time at your house where I mean to Make my home when ever I arrive at Cumberland, I am candid in my resolution to visit you, Not only my wishes to see you all but find I am compelld on business of Importance and of different Natures to go, it cannot be put off longer than this Spring — I hope youl Accept of my Most Sincear thanks for your particular attention to my business and Interest at Cumberland which I acknowledge the Most friendly I am prepareing to discharge those debts I owe the Douglass & Tate you were kind enough to Mention that were your acct. allowed by the publick that you would pay Tate it is a demand or requisition I

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I could not ask of you without knowing some immediate way to satisfy you — I have paid my North carolina National debt, which had like to have Involved me in ruin and have made some very good sails of Land lately so that I begin to see my way more clear and flatter myself er, long to get clear of dificulties and return to your Neighbourhood is my anxious desire your hints and observations to me on my conduct and good nature I acknowledge the contents and it is two true my hart is such I fear I cannot have fortitude enough guard against it (you no my disposition) ——

I send on to you a power of attorney from Col. John Sheppard to demand and recieve Titles from Capt. Lisse Reid for two tracts of Land 640 acres each I have delayd two long the business the other day I Recd. a letter from his son a singular friend of mine notifying me he was coming to see me on the Business I then cannot inform him anything about the ~~Bus~~ matter I therefore ask it as a particular favour of you to demand the titles of Reid and get them conveyd to John Sheppard agreeable to the Inclosed power wherein the Number and quantity is mentiond and transmit the conveyances to me I lent Mr. Thos. Man a horse to ride to cumberland he was to return with your representatives he has not I wish you to Notice him and remind him of it as also a pair of Saddle baggs of McCoys, I

do not wish to offend Mr Man but wish him
to return my horse —

your Cumberland Members were my friends
they have done me the honour to put me in
nomination for one of the Legislative council
together with my own friends I flatter myself
and am almost assured I shall be returned from
Congress one of the five to be elected, Governor Blount
still continues my most stedfast friend his friendship
to me I must always acknowledge as [he] does mine
more than I can render him —

I find myself not at leisure to write to all.
my friends being at this moment surrounded with
a croud all pressing and requesting a
word with me — I am building a House
where I expect to be more retired — I send
on with Alexr. Moore some castings to your charge
to dispose of perhaps two Tonn and will give you
by Moore further direction — My love to my
sister and yourself

and am with esteem your
Mo. Obt. Servt.
Stockley Donelson

Andrew Jackson Esqr.

Stock. Donelson
2nd March 1794

Andrew Jackson Esquire

Davidson County

Cumberland

per Smith

Know all men by these presents that I
Charles Carter of the County of Sumner and Destrect
of Mero have this day Bargained and Sold and by
these presents do Bargain and sell unto Andrew
Jackson of the County of Davidson and Destrect
aforesaid one negro wench known by the name
of Hannah and her Child Called Bet which said
negro wench Hannah and her Child Bet is
now in the Possession of the said Andrew
Jackson and in and for the Consideration
of Eighty Pounds Virginia Currency to me in
hand Paid before the sealing and Delivery of
these Presents do bind myself my heirs
Executors and administrators to warrent and
for Ever Defend the right title and Property
of the said Negro wench Hannah and her Child
Bet unto the said Andrew Jackson his heirs
and assigns for Ever from the Claim or Claims
of all and Every Person Legally Claiming
in witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal this Eighth day of July 1794
And in the presence of

Charles Carter (Seal)

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Wm. Tait — Snatt
James Douglass

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Carter
to
Jackson
Bill of Sale
Recorded
August 23 1794

Territory of the united States &c

Davidson county Court July Sessions 1794

William Faitt a Subscribing Witness proved on Oath the Execution of the Within to be the Act and Deed of the Within named Charles Carter And the same With the probate is duly Recorded August 23 1794

Andrew Ewing

Territory of the united States &c

Davidson county court July Sessions 1794

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Andrew Ewing

Carter
to
Jackson
Bill of Sale
Recorded
August 28 1794

Know all men by these presents that I James Adams
of the County of Camel in the State of Virginia
have this day Bargained sold and Delivered and by
these presents do Bargain sell and Deliver unto —
Andrew Jackson of the County of Davidson
in the District of Mero in the South western
Territory of the United States of america one
Negro wench Named Bett about Thirty four
years of age one Negro Girl Named Hannah
about Eight years of age and one Negro Boy
Named Sam about fourteen years of age which
said Negroes; in and for the Consideration of one
hundred and Twenty five pounds Virginia
Currency to me in hand Paid by the said —
Andrew before the sealing and Delivery of these
presents the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledge
do bind myself my heirs Executors and administra
=tors firmly by these presents to warrent and for
Ever Defend the Right title and property of the abov
mentioned Negroes unto the said Andrew Jackson his
heirs and assigns for Ever from the Claim or Claims
of all and Every Person or manner of persons legally
Claiming in Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal this 11th day
of September 1794 and in
the presence of

James Adams (Seal)

John Callaway

William B. Anthony

Adams
to J. Bill of
sale
Jackson

3 Negroes

I Robert Craig of Washington County Virginia, have this day solde unto Andrew Jackson, esquire of Mero District, a negro woman Slave named Mary, for the consideration of Two hundred and thirty three Dollars — The title to which said negro woman Slave Mary and her future increase I do hereby covenant to warrant and defend unto the said Andrew Jackson and his heirs against the claim of all persons whatever. Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of Septr 1794.

Attest.

C. Watkins.

Robert Craig (Seal)

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Craig } Bill of
to } sale
Jackson

Negro girl Mary

Philadelphia Decr 22th 1794

Sir

Your letters of the 16th of May and the 26th of August have been received, and proper attention shall be paid to their contents, the report on your petition would have been called for before this, had I not have waited for some papers which I expected from North Carolina, while at home the summer past I wrote to the clerk of the House of Commons requesting him to send me such vouchers, as I thought would be necessary to support your claim, among these written for was a resolution allowing your pay as attorney for the district of Mero, since my arrival at this place, I have

received

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receivd his answer, in which he says there is no such resolution on the Journal of the house, On the receipt of his letter I immediately wrote to the Treasurer and Comptroller of North Carolina requesting them, if there was any record in either of their offices, that you had been paid by No. Carolina for acting as attorney in Mero district, to send me a certified copy of such record, from neither of these I have not yet receivd a line in answer to mine, though I now expect it every week, If no answer ~~you~~ should be receivd, or if an unfavorable should be, I shall in either case, call up the report, and depend on ~~the appointment~~ for supporting the claim, a certificate from them, that you had been paid, would I think secure the claim — I shall endeavor to get a determination

of this

this session, and as soon as this is done you shall be notified thereof —

Believing the claim to be just, it will not want my support. You have not said in yours by what authority or by what officer you were paid. I wish you had have been more particular on these —

I am Sir

Yr. most Obt Svt

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Mr. Jackson

Andrew Jackson Esquire

H. Mason
Letter
Sep. 22. 94

Andrew Jackson Esquire

J. H. Mason
Letter
Octr 29. 94

James Grant to Stockley Donelson, probably March. - April, 1795.

The transactions here mentioned are doubtless those referred to in Jackson-Overton June 9, 1795 (Correspondence, I. 12-15).

March, he [illegible] me that he was setting off for Chatham to see the [illegible] or your Devil, who wishes a compromise, as you had suggested in your letter from ~~Raligh~~ Raleigh - I wrote the Doctor a few days gone that I should return by Hillsboro' in the Month of May to see to your matters there. he also writes me that Burke has a great plenty of property to satisfy my execution, which was the first levied - I expect Col^o. T. Blount & Willie Blount will meet me in Hillsboro' towards the last of May & we shall go from there to Knoxville.

I sent on last Jany by express to our friends Messrs Overton & Jackson, that I could sell 130,000 acres of land on Hatchee River, chiefly belonging to them, for one fifth of a Doll^r p^r acre & get one third of the sum in cash, the remainder in good

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[illegible] since, and the [illegible] of Congress
has had an unfavourable aspect on the
Lands within the Indian Claims since
I was making the contract for them added
to the great scarcity of Cash at this time
and lands not in the demand they were
then, that I hardly think any thing can
be done now— tho' I wrote Mr. Overton a
few days gone by Col. Winchester who
left here—

I shall write you in a short time
a gain by post, & let you know every thing
that transpires of note to you, I have
covered all the news to Roulstone, as it is
unknown to me whether you are in Knoxville
if so you can go there & see them— Do be
so good as to have our House finished and we
will spend the ~~summer~~ summer in it if we
Board abroad— I sent on a Box of Window

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but they carrys on 64,0... odd Dollars for the Territory— we are lossing a fine harvest but cannot help it— There will certainly be a large Detachment of regular Troops in our Territory this summer, that we may glean somthing yet—

you will please to give my com=
=pliments to Billy Terrell, and accept my sincere wishes for the Highest state of Happiness that this world can possibly afford you— I am Dear Donelson

with Esteem & regard
yours Sincerely
James Grant

P.S. you observe it must cost me a great deal of money— I am too sensible of that for it has, with all my oeconamy, cost me nearly 300 Dollars—you can scarcely breathe here under a Dollar an hour

S. Donelson Esquire

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Col.^o Stockley Donelson

Col.^l King   Knoxville

Louisville June 29th 1795

Dear Sir

I arived at this place on the 26th Instant about nine OClock where I could hear nothing from our boates crew until yeasterday Mr Foster and Searcy arived without bringing any part of your goods with them, and they say for reason that their boat was very heavy laden, and that Tatum boat had not more than half a lode, therefore they thought it best to put yours in with Tatum who they left at Forpitt waiting for his Waggons to come before he would start from that place which they say would be in four or five Days they have not the smallest expecttation that his boat will arive here before theirs start for the mouth of Cumberland which places me in a very disagreeable situation not knowing what to do for the best; I shall start for Limestone in a few minutes in order to meet Tatum at that place as I know not how long he may stay there and perhaps not bring his goods any further though in case the boat should come before Searcy leaves this place Henry Childress will take charge of her if I can not get back my Self

As to your sending a boat down when Foster sends his I am at a loss to know what to say but am apprehensive you will not have any use for one so soon I am also afraid that Foster will have all the boates engaged a coming up the River at the time we shall want

one as I am in hopes you will hear from me
by Major Tatum in the Course of four or five Days
after Foster arives at Nashville and then if
there are no boates to be had we shall be
placed in a bad situation and if that pock
=ing old sole should happen to stagger along and
you send no boat nor hands down the river
when Foster does we ar then placed in a bad
Situation so upon the Whole I think it best
for you to make a reservation of one half
of Taitt's boat in case your goods should
come and if not then let the boat be con=
=verted to Fosters use and him account with
the hands and Taitt I shall use all induste=
=ry I possibly can to forward the boat on
If you should not go down to Tenessee Court
you will get Mr. Searcy to do my business in
that Court the suits are as followes Thomas
Dunbarr vs. Nelson a declaration in that
Suit must be filed this Court in my pocket
book the old declaration is; Oldham vs
Carathers I am for the Deft. and in my pocket
book you will find the copy of Oldhams
deposition which will be sufficent to abate
the suit upon it being illegally done and if not
in first Essinass you will find law anough
to supporte the Defence; the next is Coddey
vs McFaden I am for the Deft. the plea is
fraud imposition and set off

dont be uneasy for I shall do every thing
that lies in my power to forwar on the
boat all I am afraid of is that you
cannot get a boat to meet me when you
Tatum comes forward

Lewis had much better have met
Tatum at the mouth of Limestone
than to be pocking about Nashville like
a dry land Tarripine

Give my love to Sister Rachel and all
the rest of my friends

I am Dear Sir with Esteem
your friend and humble
Servant &c &c

Saml Donelson

Andrew Jackson Esqr

Saml Donelson
29th June 1793

Andrew Jackson Esquire

Hond per
A Tipton Esqr

Nashville

Then Rec.d of Col.o Rob.t Hays—
Seventeen Doll.s in part pay of
the Hire of a Negro boy he has of mine
by the name of Matt for the years
1794 & 1795. Ballance Due of his hire
Eighteen Dollars—

Wm. [illegible]

July [illegible] 1795

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Majr William
Terrell Lewis
Recd for the hire
of Matt

Ac.
5007.

Knoxville 13: August 1795. 1

My Dear Sir,

I wrote you a few days
you by Mr. Terrill since which nothing
material has transpired — we are all well
and have strong assurances of peace from
all the Indian tribes, as Colo. Henly will no
doubt inform you —

If what I suggested in
my former letter should not meet your
consent, to offer for Congress on the
supposition this Territory becomes a State,
— I would suggest Willie Blount in preference
to any that I have heard mentioned in this
quarter — Tho' I have not his sentiments
on the subject yet — I think I am warra[nted]
to say that if he would offer at all — he
would not run against your self or
~~Colo. Winchester~~ Colo. Winchester —

From what I can collect he would
have a pretty good interest in this quarter
and Colo. Winchester or your self might stand
a good pool thro' his and your friends —
~~this quarter~~ here — I have made known
to Colo. Donelson the contents of this, as also
the other and he says it is perfectly pleasing
to him — you are all his friends and which

ever will offer he will support, for he has no Idea that either will interfeer with the other — The candidates that have declared here — are Majr John Sevier & Mr Claiborne the Lawyer, are all I have heard of —

Doctor White is talked of as Senator and I have this moment heard that Genl. Sevier will offer — tis also said that Colo Carter will — Hower as I am no politician, do not intend to trouble myself about politics, I will drop the Subject — it matters not with me who rides so I dont feel the spurr —

you will please to recollect me to Doctor White & Mr Overton — & Col Winchester my compliments to all friends, or aquaintances who do me the Honor to enquire after,

Dear Sir,
yours with
great regard
and Esteem
James Grant

P.S. it gave me a singular pleasure to hear you found all your family safe & well — and I do assure you nothing at this time would afford me more sincere satisfaction than to take you by the hand at your house, & to chat over some of our moments spent in Philadelphia.

I promise myself a line from you by
some return

I expect to leave this country
the fore part of October for North Caro
& return to Philada. tho', God willing, will
return again to Knoxville in the course of the winter

I hope your Goods all arrived safe
I mentd. your small kegg, left by mistake
and Mr. Irwin assured me he would
take it forward—

I would cover you a news
Paper only they are not out till to-
morrow & Colo. Henly leaves here this
Day— I did promise myself to go out in
the fall & see your country— but now
I fear it will not be in my power—

I wish you could make it conve-
-nient to come here in Septr. you will
meet Mr. Thos. Blount here if you
can come in—

the news is the Creeks are suing
for peace with whites & Chicasaws—

So much for the present
adieu J. Grant

accept of this scroll
from your friend who has not
time to correct it—

Andrew Jackson Esquire—

Andrew Jackson
Esquire —

Col. Henly - Cumberland —

Knoxville Sept. 16th. 95.

Dear Sir

I fully expected to receive on General Smiths arrival at this place the Survey, you was to have sent on by him Colo. Donelson has gone on to North Carolina has left me behind in Order to bring forward either the Surveys or Warrants this wishes them to be laid agreeable to the Directions left by me with the warrants—

Now Sir should Falum not be willing to resign up his claim (if any) to the Land you will please send on the warrants so that they may be laid some other place if they are Survey.d You Shall be fully and amply Satisfyd for the Trouble & Expence which you might have been at—

Nothing detains me here only on acct. of them Surveys—

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The Last company that came in of men an when Genl. Smith came. The Flatt at South west Point Sunk and two Men were drowned one Man was by the name Jamison who resided in Cumberland.

My complements to Mrs Jackson

I am Sir

Yrs Obt. Servt.

William Tyrrell

Andw. Jackson Esqr.

Andrew Jackson, esquire,

Hon.d by Col. Hays

Davidson County

W. Terrell
Letter
Sept 1795

Territory South of the Ohio

Superior Court of Law Mero District

November Term 1795

The Jurors for the Territory South of the Ohio on their Oath present that Frederick Stump yeoman late of the County of Davidson in the Territory aforesaid, and District aforesaid in the Second Monday in May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Ninety five at the Court House in the Town of Nashville and in open Court then and there said Frederick Stump in due form of Law was sworn and did take his Corporal Oath upon the Holy Gospels of God of the Matters and things Exhibited

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against Ennis Hooper in the Bill of In=
=dictment found against him the said Ennis
Hooper by the Grand Jury for the said Term
of the Superior Court aforesaid for an assault
and Battery Committed by him the said E=
=nnis Hooper on one Gadi Gibson and that
the said Frederick Stump then and there
upon his Oath aforesaid Taken in open
Court as aforesaid did swear that the afore=
=said Ennis Hooper did Commit an assault
and Battery upon one Gadi Gibson, on the
thirteenth day of January in the year of
our Lord one thousand seven hundred &
Ninety five and that the aforesaid Frederick
Stump so being Sworn as aforesaid not ha=
=ving the fear of God before his Eyes but
being Moved and Seduced by the Instigati=
=on, of the Devil and little regarding the
Laws of his Country or the penalties in the
Same contained but his aforesaid Oath Estee=
=ming as nothing then and there upon

~~his oath in open Court in County and~~
~~Territory aforesaid falsely wilfully know~~
~~=ingly and Corruptly feloniously did say and swear~~
~~to the following words that is to say that~~
~~the aforesaid Ennis Hooper did commit~~
~~an assault and battery upon Gade Gibson~~
~~as aforesaid and him the aforesaid Gade~~
~~Gibson did wound beat and ill treat and~~
~~Scratch his face with artificial Claws and~~
The Nails of his Fingers whereas in truth
and in fact the aforesaid Ennis Hooper
did not commit an assault and Battery in m
=anner and form aforesaid on the thirteenth
day of January one thousand seven hund
=red and ninety five on the aforesaid Gad
=e Gibson and so the Jurors aforesaid upon
their oath aforesaid say that the said Fre
derick Stump then and there that is to
say, on the second Monday in May in the
year of our Lord one thousand seven hu
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aforesaid in the Town aforesaid in afe
Court before the Judges of the said Court
did falsely wickedly Corruptly and Felon
=iously commit wilfull and Corrupt perju
=ry, in manner and form aforesaid to
the great displeasure of Almighty God
in evil Example of all others in like case
offending and against the Statute in
such case made and provided and ag
=ainst the peace and dignity of the
Territory aforesaid

Andrew Jackson
Atty

Philadelphia Feby 27th — 98

Sir,

Yours of the 17th and 31st ultimo have been received, and having some time past enclosed you the report of the Committee of Claims on your petition, lest that should not come to hand, it may be adviseable again to give the information your letters desire, And I sincerely wish that it was more consonant with our ideas of right. The committee of Claims reported against the prayer of the petition, which report the House of Representatives confirmed, your friend Mr. Foster has been informed of this as well as Meiker, Cochran & Co of this city in conformity to a letter of theirs on the

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subject. The treaty lately negotiated with Spain is now before the Senate for their consideration, the contents is not made public, though I have been told, that by it the United States have obtained the free navigation of the Mississippi, and that New Orleans is to be free port to the two contracting nations, and that the boundary line is settled as fixed by the treaty of peace with Great Britain.

With sentiments of esteem and respect

I am Sir

Yr most Obt. Servt.

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Mr Andrew Jackson

Territory South of the Ohio

Knoxville mail

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Mr. Andrew Jackson
Territory South of the Ohio
Knoxville mail

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Raleigh 16th June 1796

Dear Sir.

I Should have written to you before this but heard you were Elected a Member of Congress and was on your way there If you Should be in cumberland at the arrival of Mr Williams the Barer hearof I recommend him to your Notice and attention. — I want to purchase yours and Brother Sams right of Land on duck river that you purchasd of William Purnell I can Make you good payment write Me the price and terms I have a particular view in it I wish to get it. My head Quarters is at Raleigh where you can direct your letters. I am as Much pesterd with people there as at Holston I am Still purchasing Land and warrants. to give you any Account of Myself or transactions is out of

My power you Must Guess at it. I believe I Shall get Married I have engag.d about one Dozen in different parts of the State. I believe I must take Some of them — I want you to Make enquiry and get all the Millitary Land Survey that you possibly can Send Me the platts I will Make it worth your trouble engage the Surveyers who were the earliest on the Surveying of the Millitary Lands If it is any tollerable Land it will answer My purpose but prefer geting the best that can be got — I wish I had pursued your different advises on Some Subjects — Some in Haste you will ever Oblige Me to write me on all Occasions your advice — I will More particularly pursue If you Should hear of any of the Lands of Maj.r Geo. Doherty being Taken and exposed to Sale If you will advance the Money I will immediately pay you the Money Send it to

It is at the request of Mrs Doherty a Lady I am under Obligations to whilst writing this rec.d a letter from on thabkaeMy Love to my Sister & friends

I am with Sincear

your Mo. Ob.t Ser

Stockley Donelson

Mr. A. Jackson

NB
what I mean by Millitary Surveys is that Lands If I can get platts the Surveys made hal will describe I can Obtain the Grants I wish them as early as possible I have a Number of warrants now in possession your attention to this Business you shall be well rewarded for

S. Donelson

Stockley Donelson
16th June 1796

Miscellaneous

A. Jackson Esqr.
Davidson County
Cumberland

E. H. W[illegible]

Knoxville 10th Novem[r] 1796

Dear Robertus

I Received yours of the 24th Ultimo Just before I left home and have observed the contents, have made a Certificate agreeable to your directions and have Received my Commission. But as none of the Judges are here cannot qualify to it, therefore can do no official Act under its Sanction till I return to Mero District.

You will have heard before this reaches you that Citizen William Blount is a Candidate for the Major Generals place and that the other intended candidates have resigned, except Col. Outlaw I do not know that he has - But he certainly might as well for Blount in my opinion will and ought to be Elected by great odds. I would have given you this information earlyer. But it has not been in my power; so that there was a probability of your Receiving it before the Election—

The conduct of Mr Jackson & Genl Robertson at the Election for Brigadier at Nashville, has been magnified in a very great degree (by some persons from Davidson), to the Governor which has irritated him not a little. Indeed it has been related to him in such a Style and manner that it could not be

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pleasing But ~~[illegible]~~ the reverse. the relaters did not confine themselves to facts But have taken the greatest latitude in falsifying.

The Elections for Cavalry field Officers was held here by the Sheriffs and so has the Law been generally construed, If Majors Edmonston and Blackmore means to contest the Election it will be necessary that without delay they Send forward to the Governor affadavits to prove that the Election was not held according to Law. namely that it was not held by the Sheriff and that the Inspectors that did hold it was not Qualified I think if such affedavits comes forward in time the Commissions cannot Issue. By this I do not wish to encourage a Scrutiny on the Election But I wish that Justice may take place. And I think you owe so much to your former Majors as to engage your attention to have a Legal Election for them. there is no time to be lost,

Galespie command will not Says the Paymaster be paid now, I shall enquire of the Secretary of War the Reason. Sunday I expect to set out.

Health & Fraternity

Col. Robt. Hays. J Winchester

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Colonel Robert Hays

Cedar Hall

Genl James Winch[ester]
10th Novr 1796

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Colonel Robert Hays

Cedar Hall

Genl James Winch

10th Nov. 1796

Philadelphia December 6th 96

Dr. Hays

This day a full house in both branches of the Legislature was made and we proceeded to business, a message being sent to the president, to notify him thereof, he returned an answer that he would meet both houses to morrow on the floor of the Representatives, to deliver his address, so much for Legislative news, now for politicks, the minds of the people are much agitated on the subject of the Election of president, the Spirit of party runs high, and I am of the oppinion that much Depends upon the Choice, If Adams is appointed a war with france may be Dreaded, as it is Evident that British principles go hand & hand with that side, the functions of the minister of the Republick of france Mr. Adet is suspended and will do no more business with our Executive, untill the Convention of france are assured of the friendship of the Executive toward her by acts of friendship, Consistant with the Existing Treaty, and he has further made known that the Convention of france have Said that they will treat neutral flags in the same manner that neutrals suffers their flag to be treated by Great Britain, This is a hint I have not time to write fully as I did not know of the present Opportunity of

Convay ~~ag~~ untill 9 oclock at night and he sets out with the Stage

I beg of you to amuse Mrs Jackson tel her not fret If possible.

Tell all my friends I had not time to write them but they shall hear from me as soon as I have materials and time

Tell my friends overton & Tatam, that D. Allison promeses fair, but. Sunshine is wanting but they shall hear from me, as soon as materials are Ripe, Governor Blount got in last Evening. we were admitted to our seats without Question, or Ceremony

Give my Compliments to all my Nashvill friends without Distinction, and those in the Country, and make such parts of this letter as you may Judge of a publick nature as publick as possible

atittle of the ready (If my land is sold) by Mr Dederick will be agreable I Expect mone from D A on his

note I will thank you to See Mrs Jackson
as often as you Can with convenience, I am
Distressed in Mind about her & write me Every
opportunity & I am your sincere friend &
Mo. ob. Serv

Andrew Jackson

Col R Hays

Rec'd. Jan. 11, 1932.
Gift of Mr. Thomas F. Madigan;
2 East 54th St., corner of Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.
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Philadelphia December 16th 1796

Dr Col

The Inclosed papers will perhaps shew you in some degree the present Situation of things between France and America you will find that the answer to the president Speech Introduced Considerable Debate, which was accompanied with a Considerable degree of warmth between the Two parties, (I mean those that wish to Continue in friendship with the french nation and those who wish as they say to support the honor and Dignity of the nation) Since last Session the situation of America has — Changed, those who Voted against the Treaty are now for peace, those who were then sounding the horrors of war which the advanced would be inevitable in case the Treaty was not Carried into Effect are now for supporting the honour and — Dignity of the nation, which plainly Indicates their wish to Cultivate a Close friendship with Britain at the Expence of a war with the French Republick – It is Evident and every days paper proves the fact that the British are daily Capturing our Vessels impressing our Seamen and Treating them with the utmost Severity & Cruelty, but from the president Speech it would seem that the British were doing us no injury, &c Committing no Depredations, that all the Depredations on our Commerce was done by the French nation, when on the Contrary from the Best Calculation that can be made the British Capture 20 to one

I cannot omit observing that our present Situation with France is a very Delicate, the functions of the French minister is Suspended, and the Convention by a Decree has Declared that they will treat Nutral flags in the same manner that Nutral flags suffers themselves to be treated by great Britain, which has been officially Transmitted through their minister to our Secratary of State, which has been answered by our Secratary, and reanswered by the

by the French Minister, which is to be his last official act
untill the present Conduct of america (as he says) change
with Respect to France, I would be happy to Trans
=mit those papers to you and to my fellow Citizens
for your and their Information, but they are pub
=lished in a pamphlet and cannot be conveyed—
Mr Thomas pain has lately Introduced himself to the
president, by private Letter, perhaps one of the
most severe things that ever was written, he States
a number of facts, but there is a Mr Dente that is
still more severe. I will Transmit you under cover
Mr Pains letter for your perusal and Mr Saml Donelson
& those of my friends that may wish to read it

The Business relative to the pay of militia under
Sevier and Nicajack will be brought before the house to=
~~morrow~~ next week what may be the result as yet I can
=not Determine, but you may assure my fellow—
Citizens that when those Claims are acted upon they
shall have the Earliest information, and those claims
I will always keep in view untill I have ~~them acted~~
~~upon~~ a Decision upon them —

I find I will have but little time to write—
having the business of the State to attend to in the
house of Representatives, but you may assure my
fellow Citizens that I will attend to them when
a leasure moment occurs, this will be a Short
Session and the house is now crouded with business
and so many Spouters, that take up a great deal of
time— when you peruse those papers inclosed will thank
you to let my Nashville friends have the perusal of them

I find that I cannot Command any money of Mr Alison, nay worse I am called upon for the amount of his note I Endorsed to John B Evans he tells me he will lift the note, but never has made an effort. Governor Blount promised to have it lifted, but has failed, I am afraid I will be Compelled into Disagreeable measures, on this score –

I need not m[illegible] to you to send [illegible] price of my [illegible] river Tract if sold Deducting wha[illegible] I Borrowed from Mr D[illegible] and thirty three [illegible] to Mr Ewen, this [illegible] is sold I know you will do, but I do [illegible] you to sell it unless you can get one [illegible] pr acre and [illegible] in Cash or one half and a good Negro fellow

I have now finished this letter [illegible] making one request, that you atten[illegible] Dear little Rachael, and sooth her i[illegible] absence If she should want any thi[illegible] it for her. If you can and you sha[illegible] amply Rewarded

Make my Compliments to Mr [illegible] and all friends & fellow Citizens and believe to be your undisguised friend

Andrew Jackson

Rec'd. Jan. 11, 1932.
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[No date, probably January, 1797.]

Dear Hays: I have this day been with the accountant of the War Department upon business of Major Farragut's, and can discover from their Conversation that it will be difficult to draw any money on your Claim as Muster Master. You will therefore do well to write to Col^o Hanley and obtain from him a statement of your continuing to act as Muster Master, and that he has not paid you any money for your services as Muster Master since the first day of [obliterated] 1796, and (if he will) state that he referred you to the War Office for settlement. Intrust the Business to the Care of Mr Deaderick in case he will be on by the middle of February, as I intend leaving this the first day of March. You will please to inform Mr Robert Searcy that his accounts have been passed, but that General Winchester cannot draw [the Money] for the want of a Power [of Att'y] from him; that If he wishes it brought on, if a Power can reach here by the first of March I will bring it to him, or Transmit it to Winchester at Baltimore.

You will do well to write to Hanley and obtain from him any certificates that he may give to secure the payment. I will be attending the Business as much as I can untill the [obliterated] but I expect I will have [to] petition the house on the subject. I am Sir Sincerely,

Andrew Jackson

Colo Hays

Knoxville 17th January 1797

Sir

Since my last nothing of material moment, excepting that several waggons on the road through the wilderness to Cumberland have been plundered by the indians, and some of them left without a horse; supposed to be done by the Cherokees.

The Agent to the Cherokees has complained about settlements being made as low down as the Tennessee, on which subject I to him replied, a copy of which is inclosed for your information, should any thing on that head be sent forward to the department of war: It will elucidate in some measure the circumstances attending the matter, and you will take such measures, as in your wisdom will best promote the interest of this state:- I wish the line could be extended to the Tennessee.

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It has for some time past been reported that one indian was killed, and another wounded, on the waters of Clinch; I hope the report is not true, and I am induced so to believe from this reason, that neither the indians nor agent have complained to me on the occasion.

Our post rider has several times been disappointed in meeting with, and receiving in order, the mail at Abingdon, which neglect may prove very injurious to us. A letter from the department of war to the executive of this State, dated 13th August last only arrived here on the 11th Instant, brought by Mr John Deaderick from Cumberland, another from same department dated 29th September came by our post a few days before. How these irregularities happen, I am at a loss to know. It is not the first time letters directed to me at this place from Philadelphia, has went round by the way of Cumberland, and some of them came forward with a broken seal. I hope you will

please acquaint the Post master general of such irregularities, in order that the defect may be remidied.

Captains Wade's and Sparks's companies have arrived, neither of them compleat, if no more is sent, these will be inadequate to the protection of our frontiers and the defect ought to be supplied by militia: three companies of infantry and a troop of horse would answer the purpose, on which I have wrote the Secretary of war.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Your Obedient servant

The Honble
Andrew Jackson esquire

John Sevier

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Andrew Jackson, Member in Congress

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John Sevier
January 1797

Andrew Jackson to Captain John Donelson, Jan. 18, 1797.

From the Kentucky Yeoman, Frankfort, Nov. 5, 1847.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18, 1797.

Capt. John Donelson:

SIR--I have it not in my power to give you any certain account relative to the business you entrusted to my care. Shortly after I reached this place, I waited upon ----- on the subject of conveying to you the ---- due from him and -----. At that time, I had everything favorable to hope from that interview with -----; but, sir, I am sorry I have too much reason to doubt that delay is intended. He promised me to write to his brother to forward the conveyances that he might here sign them, and deliver them to me for your use. I applied to him yesterday on the subject, but without satisfaction; he says his brother as yet has not answered his letter. Rest assured that I will attend strictly to this business, and if possible bring it to a favorable issue before I leave this place.

The President, by and with the consent of the Senate, has appointed Commissioners to treat with the Cherokees, and I believe the object of the treaty is to purchase them out if they will sell; at any rate, to extend the line to the Tennessee river. I hope this may be effected. No news that can be relied on from our Commissioners at Paris; but it is reported, and I believe on good authority, that they are returning without being admitted. What may be the consequence, I am not prepared to say; but I am certain that France will not declare war against us; but there are a number

in Congress, and to their strength I may add the Heads of Departments, that have a wish to declare war against that nation; or, in other words, to do such acts as would, in their consequence, be similar to a declaration of war. I expect the return of our Commissioners (if the report is true) will bring before us questions of the first importance to our Government;--questions that will involve in themselves war or peace; and from the spirit that has this day displayed itself on the floor of the House of Representatives, I can assure you that I do not expect much moderation in the discussion of these important questions. There are one side that blame the Administration for the present disagreeable situation with France. The partiality for Britain has too evidently appeared from Mr. Monroe's publication: that partiality has lately appeared still stronger, but in different colors. In order to carry into effect the measures of the Administration, they have fallen on a plan to remove from office every man who professes republican principles, and fill those offices with men who will bend to the nod of the Executive. This is not mere conjecture, but it is openly avowed by some of the Heads of Departments to be the rule lately established by the Executive, and this day openly avowed on the floor of Congress, and attempted to be justified; therefore, the talents, virtues or abilities of men, are no recommendation to bring them into office, if they do not think exactly with the Executive. This is sweet reward for seven years' servitude to obtain freedom; and if a man cannot be led to believe as the President believes in politics, (and God forbid

a majority should,) he is not to fill an office in the United States.--This, sir, I view as more dangerous than the establishment of religion; for it is truly an attempt to establish politics, and to make away the right of thinking. This, sir, will open the eyes of the Americans--and I hope hereafter they will be careful how they repose too much confidence in an individual. But the parties now are at issue, and it will shortly be determined.

My respects to your lady and family, and believe me to be, with respect,

Your friend sincerely,

ANDREW JACKSON.

To Governor John Sevier

Philadelphia January 18th 1797

Sir

I have to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter of the Tenth ultimo, and have to observe that I would have answered it at an Earlier period but waiting to have the pleasure of giving you some Certain information Respecting the pay due to you and your army for your Military Services in the year 1793

The Subject of the pay due to your army was brought before the house by a report of the Secretary at war on the petition of Hugh L White. Early in this Session, and I must observe the report was by no means favourable to the petitioner, after being Twice before A committee of the whole house it was recommitted, to a Select Committee and this day they have reported to the House favourably, I hope therefore that their report will be agreed to, Thus far we have progressed on that business.

We have acted finally on no business of importance, a law to Extend the Federal Judiciary into our state have passed the senate and is now before us, which I Expect will pass this house without amendment

The Subject of a direct Tax has been before the house of representatives, and ably discussed, but not as yet decided on I am doubtfull that it will be carried into a law, as for my own part I think it will be very unpalatable to the Tennesseeans in their present situation, therefore will be opposed to it, but was the revenue thus Raised I think there would not be half the profusion in government that now Exists, the situation of our Commerce, is urged as a strong ground for a direct Tax, and I think the revenue arising from impost in the year Ninety seven will be far inferior to that of Ninety Six, — The Republick of France was slow in their Determination ~~in~~ what line of Conduct to pursue with Respect to america, but when once the have Established that line of Conduct (which they have by a decree) if we Judge from their former Stedfastness, they will Strictly adhere to it, with firmness, Their Decree is thus Expressed "the will Treat "Nutral Flags as Nutral Flags suffer them selves to be treated by the "English" the have under the decree gave order to their armed Vessels to Capture all Vessels bound to or from ports of great Britain, Britain Captures all Vessels bound to or from french ports therefore their Captures are similar, and this is the advantage ~~to our~~ our Commerce

derived from the British Treaty, the Merchants ~~deswe~~ Experience the fruits of their prays, they petitioned for the ratification of that Instrument, and now they are Enjoying the fruits of their Industry,

I am sorry to see our Country by the Conduct of our Government involved in such a Situation with the Republick of France, ~~which~~ who are now Struggling to obtain for themselves the same Blessings (Liberty) that we faught and bled for, we ought to wish them success if we could not aid them How the present difference with France ~~an achut~~ at may terminate is for wiser Politicians than me to Determine

I enclose you this days paper that may afford you some News

I have now to answer the first part of your letter which I have viewed with pleasure and happy to find that your Sentiments so perfectly accord with mine —

No doubt you Recollect my Sentiments Expressed in the Convention; they were Sentiments, I long Entertained, and founded on mature deliberation, and the right to the soil in my opinion is so firmly invested in the Sovereignty of the State, both by Constitutional principles and by the law of Nations ~~and~~ added to that the Sovereignty, reserved by the States, in forming the federal Constitution, and that sovereignty as respected as recognized by the act of admission, that nothing ~~the~~ but the act of the Strong hand of power itself, can devest us of that right for ~~upon~~ no solid Legal ground can the Claim of the United States be supported. and as you have Justly observed If the right of soil was in the united federal head, we could not be said to Enjoy all the rights and privileges the original States Enjoy, otherwise the advocates in favour of the United Claim must they that the right of Domain is not a right which must be preposterous and a perversion of the English Language

I have ~~now~~ to offer some reasons for my not writing more frequent, and I hope the following will be Satisfactory

I am the only representative from the State, Consequently all the business of the State in the house of representatives devolve on me, on all Committees, ~~the~~ before whom ~~the~~ business is brought that is of a general

nature I am appointed and have to serve, and also upon many select ones, where in the Interest of the Individuals of my state are concerned, the Committees meet general at 6 oclock in the Evening and set to 9 - and then on Saturday this they are compelled to do ~~by reason of the~~ from the shortness of the Session, having to attend to the Committees and the business of the house I have not much time to waste and I am well convinced that my constituents would rather have Justice done, and their demands paid than receive letters from me and as I am compelled to neglect one or the other my duty dictates to ~~me to attend~~ closely to the interest of my Country

Make my compliments acceptable to your lady and believe me to be with Respect

your mo. ob. Serv.

Andrew Jackson

This letter I write in haste and have not time to Coppy it therefore you will Excuse alterations and interlineations A. J

His Excellency
John Sevier

Philadelphia February 7th 1797

Dr. Col

I have Just time, to repeat again that you will have to Call upon Col Hanly for the pay due you for your services as muster master—

your appointment as Marshal is Certain—tho no Nomination, for Either Marshal or District Judge has yet Taken place, but I think Either T. or O. will be nominated tho the Senators has warmly recommend Rhea—If T. or O. is not nominated I think McN. stands fair—this and—other things may appear strange that the Senators—Recommends one person and others should be appointed

I will Certainly be at home in March at which time I will give you all the news. this is more to shew you that I would write you If I had any thing worthy Communicating than otherwise—

I have got Seviers Claim passed through the house & would have got ours also, but I find that Hanly has not forwarded the rolls or statement of the sum due or any thing about it—and the Secretary knows of no such Claim and for the want of documents I cannot bring it forward but I think it will be paid without a legislative act I am

yr &c

Andrew Jackson—

Free Andrew Jackson

Col Robert Hays

Knoxville — Near Nashville

State of Tennessee

Col A Jackson

Knoxville 5 april 1797

Sir

The bearer Mr. Wm. P. Anderson is about to become a residenture of this state, and a practitioner of the law, and the object of this letter is to introduce him unto your favorable Notice and attention

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Mo. obedt. Serv.

John Sevier

The Honble
A. Jackson

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Gov John Sevier

The Honble

Andrew Jackson

Mr Anderson

Wm Cocke
5th Apr 1797

Dear Sir Philadelphia 28th April 1798

Your favor dated Fredericktown, came safe to hand — Am happy to learn you met with no disaster, though frequently in danger — Addresses from different parts of the Union, have been presented to the President and Congress, some requesting, that means may be devised, to prevent a war — others approbating, the conduct and past measures of Congress — and others approbating the instructions given by the President to our Envoys near the French Repub — A Bill passed the Senate a few days ago — 13 to 8, authorizing the President to raise a provisional army — of 20,000 men, whenever he may Judge, the Situation of our affairs requires it — That Bill, is now before the House of Representatives — We are informed by a letter from New York, that Alexander Hamilton is appointed (by Govr. Jay) to succeed Mr. Hobart in the Senate

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Things

things go on in a progressive ratio, according to the manner, in which they had began before you left us -
- Another Bill was yesterday reported by the Standing Committee, to Authorise the President to build ten Vessels, to be fited as Gallies or otherwise at his discre-
-tion - A Bill raiseing a Regiment of Artilery and -engineers has passed both Houses - Since you left us -
- This Bill met no opposition, as it seemed necessary to Protect as far as possible, our ports and harbours by internal force - The Provisional Army Bill, Contains the most unpleasant features, of any Bill, which in my opinion - has yet appeard -

The Saddle you mention, I have seen it is the one I rode from Tennessee - and the same I took with me, when I first went to that County - am sorry you did not get your own - I will try to bring yours with me - I inclose you a paragraph from Fenno's paper - of yesterday - By this you will see how you as one of our body, are Considered by Mr. Fenno -

Fenno, or the Author of the piece — there being but
Six Senators absent at this time —

We have not any thing new from
Our Commissioners — prospects are much the same —
— We however daily expect something upon which
we can depend — When I will with pleasure Com-
municate it you — Present my most respectful
compliments to your Lady — and remember me kindly
to ~~[illegible]~~ my friends in Cumberland

Yours Very Sincerely
Jos. Anderson

Jo. Anderson
Letter 26th Apr: 1798

Andrew Jackson Esq.
Rural felicity
Cumberland

Andrew Jackson Esq
[illegible] felicity
Cumberland

Jos Anderson
Letr 26th Apl 1795

[illegible] Jackson Apr. 30 1798

A Bill providing for the payment of the Cherokee Expedition, has passed the House of Representatives, and Mr. Anderson is of opinion it will pass the Senate.

The Provisional Army Bill has not yet been finally acted upon in the House — it is committed to a select Committee — but the general opinion is, that this Bill will be adopted. The House [illegible] yesterday a Bill making provision for the purchase of Galleys, [...] this bill is yet upon the Tables.

— The subject of direct Taxes has been before the Committee of Ways and Means, and their opinion is, that 2 Million of Dollars should be raised by a Tax on Houses, Lands and Slaves.

— An Alien Bill & a Sedition Bill is talked of — the object of the first to drive from our Country certain Foreigners & the object of the latter to check any opposition.

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– on which [illegible] arise to the [illegible]

You will observe this is only the [illegible] that no such Bills are yet reported. –

Your old friend Tazewell is very well, and [illegible] very much your [illegible] – he proposed in the Senate, the other Day a Resolution prohibiting the Members of that Body, from accompanying or receiving any [illegible] from Foreign [illegible] – the Resolution was rejected by a large majority. [illegible] Executive [illegible] = [illegible] Dispatches from [illegible] [illegible] Contents [illegible] = [illegible].

Mr. Anderson is about to take [illegible] Lodgings, the Room [illegible] Room [illegible] with great warmth [illegible] very hot, he wishes [illegible] I am any [illegible] a place with Mr Stanford [illegible] family that [illegible] submit to great inconvenience [illegible] rather

[illegible] other [illegible] move [illegible] presently [illegible] in 5 or 6 weeks.

Accept yourself and communicate also to your Lady the best wishes of your friend

William Chas. C. Claiborne.

Philadelphia
April 30th 1798 -

Free -
W. C. C. Claiborne

The Honble Andrew Jackson
Nashville
Tennessee

FREE

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Wm. C. C. Claiborne
Apl. 30th 1798

The President of the United States,

To Andrew Jackson, Senator for the State of Tennessee

Certain matters touching the public good requiring that the session of the Senate for Executive Business should be continued, and that the members thereof should convene on Tuesday the seventeenth day of July instant; you are desired to attend at the Senate Chamber in Philadelphia on that day, at ten O'Clock in the forenoon, then and there to receive and deliberate on such communications as shall be made to you on my part.

United States }
July 16. 1798. }

John Adams

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free
Saml. Allis

The Honble

Andrew Jackson
A Senator of the United States
Tennessee

Knoxville September 17th. 1799

My Love

I have this moment reached this place from Jonesborough, and Captn. Carr on my way thither, about an hour since handed me your letter of the 5th instant. I am truly sorry to read from that letter, "that you are not well" but I sincerely hope that you are much better than when I left you — I am happy to hear that the carpenters are industrious, and that Jeremiah is at length done. one thing I do request you, not to fatigue yourself. let the business stop rather than you should either fatigue or fret yourself, recollect my love how precious health is, and how carefull we ought to be to acquire it, ease of body and mind are both necessary, without the helping hand of a Phesician, to restore you to perfect health, and both these it ought to be your constant study to acquire — I have been in good health since I left except a touch of the Reumatick — and a head ach to day which I suppose proceeded from a cold I caught riding in the night, last night — — Rest assured my love, that I stay not a moment longer, than the business of court requires — I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you the 12th of next

month, — at Jonesborough I lent Mr. Samuel Jacks my horse (his being lame) to ride to Knoxville, where he was to stay untill I came down and was ready to proceed on to Cumberland, I am this day informed that he has proceeded on to Cumberland — If you see him tell him I wish him not to leave that Country untill I git there — as I wish to have his deposition before he leaves that State — Mr. John Davidson is here, very sick, taken yesterday — I hope it will not be of a long duration he says he will wait for me should he recover and be well enough to set out at an Earlier Period — my Dear be carefull of your health untill I return — and let that be your only object — may heaven bless you untill I return which will be as Early as Possible I am my Dear with sincere affection your

Loving Husband

Andrew Jackson

Mrs Rachel Jackson

A Jackson
to
R Jackson
Sept 14th 29°

Mrs. Rachel Jackson
Hunters Hill
Cumberland

Mr. Jno. Childress }

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A Jackson
to
R Jackson
Sept 14th 99

Mrs Rachel Jackson
Hunters Hill
Mr. Hays Caring } Cumberland

Philadelphia Feby 28th 1800

Dear Sir—

After my return to Vermont I collected some of the remains of my property such as I could with convenience at that time, I turned a part of my ... property as would answer in the Western Country & loaded five Teams takeing with me one of my Daughters & her husband An Unmarried Daughter, a Neice & her husband with Several other Adventurers & set out for the Ohio on our arrival at the Geneva on the Alleghany River the Water was too Low to go down there I left my people fixing their boats & makeing preparations, I sold my Teams for Iron, Millstones & Grindstones the Property we brought along Consists in Saddles, men & Womens, bridles, Shoes upper Leather, boots Tin Ware, &c

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Matt. Lyon
28th Feby 1800

I brought two Stills, printing Materials (which will be left a while on the Monongahela) black Smith Tools, & Farming Tools of Iron, in all Worth near 4,000 Dollars, I have order my people to go down the Ohio & to the Mouth of Cumberland & then up that river untill they are suited with regard to the Situation of the Country, & the price of Land & there set down, I have rather given a preference to Kentucky because Land I believe may be had Cheaper there than in Tennessee, however I have given them Latitude to go up as far as they chuse I mean to follow them as soon as Congress Rises, to see them & make arrangements & then return to Vermont for more property, & more people I dont expect to move my Wife & young family under a year those Daughters gone on are of a first Marriage.

We have had hitherto a more moderate session
than the three past. Administration have
a more decided majority than ever before, but
they have about a dozen in that Majority
who are not willing to go all lengths with
them this costs them. The affair of
Jonathan Robbins has nearly taken up this
week & it is but just entered upon the Aristo.
party are determined to Justifie Mr Adams
at any rate but it gives them Much trouble
I can assure you. Mr Claiborne is unwell
& has not attended the house this week but I
understand not very sick. I inclose you two
Resolutions of the Senate one concerns your
State. the other shews you that, that body
are growing worse & worse. Knowing that
you take the Aurora I have but little News
to communicate. Give my Respects to Mrs
Jackson to Genl Smith, & to many others I had
the pleasure of being made acquainted with in your
neighbourhood I hope to see them again next

summer. Your Country is far Superior
to any I have ever seen & it has never been
long out of my thoughts since I saw it
To enjoy the blessings of such a
Country ~~~~ such a Soil and
Such a Climate in a Good neighbourhood
is what is most wished for by your

Devoted friend & Hum Servt

J. H. Lyon

Judge Jackson

TO COLONEL ROBERT HAYS.

KNOXVILLE, September 26, 1800.

Dear Colo., Your letter by Colo. Hardin came safe to hand, with the pleasing news of the prospect of Mrs. Donelson surviving untill we can have the opportunity of seeing her. Mrs. Jackson is in a tolerable state of health, and your sweet little Daughter is in as high state of health as she can possibly enjoy; and altho I write this letter in open Court, and Pressed for time, I must take time to say that Miss Rachel is the finest child of her age I ever saw. She takes everything like a Philosopher—never complains and always in a good humor. Say to Mrs. Hays I will soon return to her arms her lovely daughter. With our love to you and your Lady and all friends I am as usual Your Sincere friend

Knoxville August 24th 1801

Dr Sir

On Saturday I reached this place, all well – you may say to Stockley Donelson, Mrs Donelson is waiting for her father, and is as yet without advice from him – This morning I waited upon Mr Joseph Greer and Shew him your letter, he States the receipt of $300 on your acct, paid to your order $20 – to Ashburn, that he hold Ashburns order upon the Marshal and Ashburns receipt for the amount of the ballance of his pay – that he has paid to James Wood Lackey the sum of Eighty Dollars and has his receipt for his pay for taking the Enumeration for Blount & Sevier Counties, and Expresses his wish to retain those Sums out of the money in his hand, I told him I was not authorised, to do any such thing but would let the money remain in his hands, untill I received an answer from you and would be guided by your instructions, write me, immediately on the receipt of this letter and direct it to Jonesborough and put it in the Post office, and if it is your directions I will take the money immediately out of his hands or otherwise as you Shall direct – I am Solicited to offer for Congress as representative, will you be good enough to give me your advice as a friend upon that Subject whether I ought or ought not – I have revolved the Subject over in my mind, and the objections on one hand and the Solicitations on the other, Poise the thing So nearly that I cannot determine the question whether it is better to offer or not I wish therefore

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your advice upon this subject, to reach me at Jonesborough, as I have said to the people I will answer them at Knox Superior Court — I am in Possession of a verry independant office but I think money — the salary is too low — another thing I dread the successor of Mr Roane — it is well known I cannot expect much benefical aid from the Talents of Judge Campbell, altho an agreable companion — and should one be appointed whose Legal abilities were not superior to ours the responsibility on me would be too great and perhaps frequent divisions make the office disagreable — my real wish would be — would my circumstances permit, to retire from the busy scenes of the world, and entirely domesticate myself — but I am got a little involved and untill I extricate myself must give out that Idea — and I fear that a seat in congress would not with my family be a profitable employment, and I am deliberating if I should offer and be elected to take them with me — the Judiciary scarcely bears my Expences and the assembly cannot add more to it than $100 per annum — but perhaps it would be better to have that secure, than to beat upon the fluctuating waves of popularity — with my best wishes for the welfare and happiness of you and your family, I am yrs sincerely

Andrew Jackson

Govr Robert Hays —

Collons

Colonel Robert Hays Marshale

W. Teng — } Marshal
} Near Nashville

A Jackson
1805

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Nashville June 16th 1802

Sir

I have lately been informed that Mr. Anderson at present attorney for the United States in and for the district of west Tennessee, is about to resign that office —

Mr Thomas [redacted] of this district has applied to me to make known to the President of the united States, his wish to fill that office, should it be vacated by the resignation of Mr Anderson —

Mr [redacted] is a man of respectability, and of considerable standing at the Barr, he has been a practising lawyer in the superior courts of this State for about four years with good success — I have no doubt, if he is appointed, but he will discharge the duties of that office with credit to himself and satisfaction to the Publick —

I am Sir, with high consideration and respect, yr. mo. ob. serv.

Andrew Jackson

Citizen Thomas Jefferson President of the united States

A Statement of the Amt. of Invoices of Goods imported for the Year 1803.

Amt. of	Pittsburgh Glass Works ——	$65,68
″ — ″	Seth Craigs ——	£130-13.9
″ — ″	Knox & Deas ——	27.10.11
″ — ″	Messrs. Kelleys ——	43,5.7½
″ — ″	Henry Toland ——	58.6.5½
″ — ″	Saml. Meeker ——	42.15.9
″ — ″	Boggs & Davidson ——	305.3.6
″ — ″	John Morrel & Son —— $149,92	
″ — ″	Buckham & Ruse	370.13.1½
″ — ″	Meeker Denman & Co.	160.13.8
″ — ″	John Jackson ——	75.″-9¾
″ — ″	James Smith Jnr. & Son	340.13.8
″ — ″	John Conrad & Co. ——	46.3.″
″ — ″	Saml. Carswell & Co.	73.4.3½
″ — ″	Chalka Foster & Co.	237.6.1½
	$5097,43 ——	£1911.10.8¾

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Am^t. brot. forw^d. in Dollars $5097,43

Deaderick & Tatom for A Jackson Watson & Co, Bought of Benjamin & J. Conyers -- £64.15.4

Equal to $172,,75 ———— 172,,75

Glass & Queens ware brought over —— 215,,60

$5485,,78

The Am^t. of Goods sent to John Campbell on Tennessee River $918,61

The Am^t. of the Goods imported for the Year 1803

Gallatin

Memorandum of corn furnished by A J for distillery and Rye & Whiskey sent to store and made use of, to the 16th of February —

16.

49. 6

187
37..

187
42. ½
90
219

43.½
42.0
85.½

Hunters Hill near Nashville August 17th, 1803

December 22. — ~~2 gall~~ untill 1st January

3 gall — Made use of

January — 9 by A J

February — 6 1/2

January 7th ~~Sent to the Store~~ gal — 30 1/2

13. delivered to Mr Scudder, on Mr Watsons acct — 32 1/2

Sent to Thos Hutchings with which he is charged in the Store 2 gall 3 qts 3/4

16 ~~Sent to Store~~ — 22 3/4

To Hutchings 5 gallons
24th To Do — 5 Do

25 Sent to Store — 44 —

30 Sent to Store — 32 1/2

February 1st To Thos Hutchings 5 gallons

5th Paid Thos Rucker for corn furnished Distillery — 47 1/4

1 Barrel — 1 Dollar 20 $ — 1/2

11th 5 gall ~~to Hutchings~~
16. 5 Do — Do

16th left on hand in seller 62 gallons

15th. February } The quantity of corn furnished the
1803 } Destillery from that day, untill
} the stills were stopt. bushels 79 –
} Rye ditto – 43 ½ bushels

15th. } Scotton – Corn 30 bushels

Whiskey made use off – after 15th. February
By A. J. fifteen gallons 3 qts and 1 pint
1 Barrel containing 25 gallons, out of which
12 ½ gallons was sent down the river –
Part of a Barrel brought back from Store
sent there to be sold to pay the Boatsmen
say 3 gallons

January 24. To Hutchings 5 gall not charged in Store
February 1. To Hutchings 5 do – not charged –
5. To H – 4 –
16 – To H – 5 –
20 —
Whiskey sold to
the amt of $ 17 – 30 —

20
3
2 5
1 5 3 – ½
1 8 – 2 –
$ 2 – ¼ pint

Corn & Rye furnished by A Jackson, from
the commencement of the distilling untill the
30th. of Decbr 1802 — 42 1/2 bushel corn
Rye — — 14. 1/2 — —

January

1st — 1803 — 2 bushels Rye — — 2
2. Do. – Corn – 2
3 — — 3 1/2 — Do – 3 – 1/2
7. 1/2 — Rye 7 — — 7. 1/2
4 & 5 — 6 — — Corn. 6
6 & 8 8 — — corn 8
12 - 13 & 14 — 20 — — corn 20
Rye — — 5 —
16 & 18 — 5 —
19 — 5. 1/2 — Corn 5. 1/2
20 — 7. 1/2 — Corn 7 - 1/2
21 — — 2. 1/2 — — Rye — — — 2. 1/2
22 — 4 - 1/2 — corn 4. 1/2
23 — 1 — — corn 1
Do — 12 - 1/2 — Rye 58 - 0 — — 12 . 1/2

29 . 1/2
Rye 43 - 1/2
14 - 1/2
— 87 . 1/2

February

1 to 5 inclusive 11 1/2 — corn. 11 - 1/2
13 — 4. — corn 4
73. 1/2
from 15th untill 79
the Stills were 152. 1/2
stoped as pr acct 42.
194. 1/2
Received by Mr Young 79 — of corn
43 1/2 — of Rye
from Mr Rucker 187 of corn —

266
90
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Davidson County March 27 - 1803

Genl. Jackson

Dear Sir

I was favoured with yours by Post from Dunns Spring, Informing me that you had purchased 2300 weight of Cotton from two of [illegible] allen also 1337 weight from My Dear what I have got, that from [illegible] Spring I suppose we shall get by the time we start our last Boat which will be the tenth day of April we started a boat the sixteenth instant [illegible] one hundred and fifty bales which weigh some better than fortyfive thousand I intend making it up fifty thousand for Messrs. Deaderick & Tatum. Mr. Hutchings will go down with the next Boat which we shall start on Thursday next in order to have his business fixed before our last boat gets down so that he may return in time to meet [illegible] which falls short of our calculation I am afraid we shall not get one hundred thousand but shall use my best endeavours to get that quantity. Mr. George Smith crop which I calculated certainly on we shall not get, he has sold to Hadley & Anglens at fifteen dollars fifty cent pr Hundred as I have been informed also several other crops fall short of what they calculated on. Mr. Greens attend very well as yet to your farm, I am in hopes he

will answer your purpose, I shall start to Virginia
the seventeenth day of April and shall endeavour
to get back by the time our goods get round, I will
be glad you would write to me after you get to
Philadelphia, direct your letters to be left at
Prince Edward Court House, I remain your friend

Wm. M. [illegible]

A memorandum of a few things for Thos. Watson

fifty [illegible]
a few [illegible]
a very [illegible] Saddle bags
1 [illegible] for [illegible]
cost about 14 or 15 [illegible]
a [illegible]
a [illegible] leather
[illegible] Black [illegible]
Fifty coffee mills
3 [illegible] skillets
[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible]

Genl Andrew Jackson

Favd by M. J. Coffee } Knoxville

Thos Watson,
Letter &
Memorandum

Amount of goods Bot^t In Philadelphia
May 1803 for Lebanon Store

James Darrah $96.5 —
Knox & Deas — — — — £25"2"11
Kelleys (Shoes) — — 20"15"2.½
Henry Toland — — 58"18"11
Seth Craig — — 46"00"9.
Morrel & Son $85.83 =
Burkham & Rees — — 306"13"6
Meeker Denman & Co 153"17"9 —
John Jackson — — — 64"18 —
Boggs & Davidson — — — 255"14"7 —
John Conrad & Co — — 42"15"9 —
Elisha Fisher & Co — — — 196"13"8"½
$3125"75 = £1172.3"1. 0
M & Son — 85"83 —
Darrah. 96. 5
$3307"63

1172. 3. 1 —
26
23443
12
910/281317(
3125 - 75
85 83
96. 5
$3307. 63

3.9
1 10.½
5 1.½

5.7
3.9
2.16

James Darrah Invoice

Amount of
[illegible] for
Lebanon for 1803

15 June 12, 1803

with regard to my friends.

"I hope, sir, you will have seen this our friend & relative Genl Jackson is returned to his worthy Partner and that his health felt the good effects of a change of air. Tho' I had so slender a knowledge of him, I as general with his acquaintences would wish him a longer stay among his many friends; though

will be willing to grant
himself, from his too
close application to the
many and extended avo-
cations he engages in, re-
lying too confidently on a
frame but too slender
for so capacious a mind
Would to Heaven I had been
more conversant with him!
I flatter myself I would
have prevailed on him to
lend himself more to his
Connexions. than I seriously
apprehend he will do, from

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his indefatigable Questions

and application

—— Messrs fashion

N. C.

Dr T. Butler.

June 12. 1803

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Bellville August 3. 1803

My Good Friend/

You have no doubt heard of, & felt for, the loss. myself, & little Family, have sustaind. by the death of the best, of Husbands, & of Fathers, it has pleas'd Providence when, I thought I was at the summit of happynes, to deprive me, of what I held most dear, in this life, by taking my much loved Edward, when he, had determined, to set down in Retirement, with his little Family, & after sparing him many times in the Field of Battle, —— It know become necessary for me, to double my attention, to those, that were dear to him, in doing so, I must beg your assistance, my dear Children, wants a guardian, & you are their, Choice, & my own, I feal a confidence, you will comply with our wishes, if it is consistant with your Other Dutys —

Caroline, & Eliza, join me in affectionate Regard to your Worthy Companion, accept, their, & my, best wishes for Boath

Your happynes, Isabella Butler ——

Genl. Andrew Jackson

Mrs Butler
3rd Aug 1803

Springfield T. 8
4th august 1803

Genl Andrew Jackson

Hunter's Hill

near Nashville

Patience Walker   Gallatin 23d Aug. 1803

To Jackson & Hutchings Dr.

To 5 yds. Green Wt. Brar a 62½, 1 Skane silk 12½ 3.25
" 1 Silk Barcelona Hdkf. 125, 1½ yds Velvet Binding 25 — 1.50
" 1 yd. ——— Callico ——— ——— ——— " 83½ $5.64½

Cr. By ——— Cash ——— ——— 1.12½

$4.5[illegible]

Bala. due

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Gallatin 20th Decr. 1805 – This day came before me Jay. Brown and made oath that the within acct. is just & true to the best of his knowledge &c.

M. Alexander J.P.

Mr. J. P. Walker
in acct. with
[illegible]

Genl George Rutledge
and
Col. John Tipton

Knoxville October
7th 1803 — —

Gentlemen

The address presented to me of the fifth Instant, by you, for and on behalf of yourselves, and others of your Honourable body subscribers to the same, expressive of entire confidence and approbation of my official acts, is truly pleasing & gratefull to me — and permit me through you to reply, that next to an approving conscience, is the approbation of my country ~~to my official acts~~ but particularly gratifying so when that entire confidence and approbation are expressed by the representatives of a free people, chosen by the free suffrage of their fellow citizens, and selected for their patriotism wisdom ~~talents~~ and virtues —

True it was, that ~~I had~~ long since I had come to a determination, to resign my seat in the Judiciary and retire to domestic ease, there to regain my health and repair a broken constitution, this resolution I thought was unalterable — But it being

~~requested~~ named by you, that from my continuance in office under present existing circumstances, publick good might result, I abandon for the present, my resolution, and obay the call of so respectable a part of my fellow Citizens, as the dictates of duty to a gratefull Country.

Retirement to private life has been for some time to me, a verry desirable event – and the present period at which I intended to retire anxiously waited for, But, you have said my further services as a Judge ~~might~~ would be usefull – When my services are thus called for they belong to my coun:try, and your voice is obayed – I shall continue to hold the office for the space of two years longer, if health will permit me to perform the duties thereof – during which period of time I shall endeavour to merit a conti:nuation of your approbation and confidence and that of our common Country, the greatest and highest reward, to a virtuous and gratefull mind —

Accept Gentlemen yourselves, and present to the Honorable body you represent, assurances of my high con=sideration and respect –

Andrew Jackson

Jackson's card for the Knoxville Gazette, Oct. 9, 1803.

To the Publick—

Those of the Honourable members of the Legislature and other citizens ~~will recollect~~ who were present on the first day of this Instant in the Town of Knoxville, will recollect, the ungentlemany and unprovoked attack, made by his Excellency John Sevier Governor of the State of Tennessee, on me, How he panted for the combat—when armed with a cut cass and I with a cane—His Excellency in Perfect Health, I just recovering from a severe Illness—They will also recollect his Gasgonading expressions, ~~and vulgar expressions~~ and his repeated warnings for me to invite him to the field of Honour—

To all whom Shall see these presents Greeting—Know yee that I Andrew Jackson, do pronounce, publish, and—declare, to the world, that his Excellency John Sevier Esqr Governor, Captain General and commander in chief, of the land and Naval forces of the State of Tennessee—is a base coward and paltroon—he will basely insult, but has not courage to repair the wound—

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Andrew Jackson

Copy —

Advertisement

Gallatin 5th Decr. 1803

James Haynes

To Jackson & Hutchings Dr.

To 1 Shoe Knife 16⅔, 1 doz. Shoe Tacks 12½ .. 29

Gallatin 21st Decr. 1805 — this day came before me James Irwin and made that the above acct. is Just and true to the best of his Knowledge

Edwd. Gwin JP

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Jn. Haynes

incl a/c with

J. H.

Dec. 29

David Campbell   Gallatin 20th Augt. 180[illegible]

To Jackson & Hutchings Dr.

	To 3 yds. drab cloth a 300, 1¼ yd. Baize a 100 —	10.25
	" [illegible] doz. Coat Buttons 28, 1 Stick Twist 12½ —	" .40½
	" 1 Skane Silk 12½, 2 yds. muslin a 62½ —	1.37½
	" ½ lb Ginger a 50, ½ lb pepper a 75, ½ lb. S. steel a 41⅔ —	" .83⅓
	" 1 Paper pins 25, 3 yds. Gray plains a 100 —	3.25
	" 1 Paper pins 25, 2½ yds. Ribbon a 37½, 1 Sett Knives & forks 225 —	2.87½
25th Sept.	" 2½ yds. Ribbon a 37½, 1 Paper pins 25 —	" .87½
	" 1 pr. Scissors 62½, 1 Paper pins 25 —	" .12½
10th Oct.	" 2 yds. Iron wire pr. Normond a 6¼ —	
		$19.92½

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Georgetown 20th Dec 1803 This day came [illegible] before me and made oath that the within acct was Just & true to the best of his knowledge

M. Alexander JP

D. Campbell
vs Smith
J. Aff.
$14.02½

Know all men by these presents that I Joseph Erwin of the County of Davidson & State of Tennessee, for the consideration of the sum of three hundred dollars, to me in hand paid, the rec.t whereof is hereby acknowledged, I have this day bargained & sold unto Andrew Jackson of the s.d County & State of a certain filly called the Indian Queen colt; which s.d property so bargained & sold I do by these presents warrant & defend against the claim of all persons whatsoever —— said filly is aged three years of the 15th of May last & raised by me in the District of Mero.

Witness my hand & seal this 12th. day of Octo 1804

Attest

W. P. Anderson   Jos. Erwin (Seal)

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Joseph Erwin's

Bill of Sale

Jno Andrews

New Castle

John Jackson

(1) Copy [illegible]

Quarters 10 miles from orleans
Octr 15th 1804—

Dear General

I arrived at this place a few days since after a journey the most fatiguing I ever experienced, the distress of orleans is great indeed; the yellow fever rages with uncommon virulence, Europeans as well as americans have fallen victims to the fever, few of the native inhabitants have suffered, the Troops are incamped eight miles from Town; I have deemed it prudent to take up my quarters detached from either place, nor do I mean to enter the city untill after the first frosts, which may be soon expected.—

Having received no letters since my arrival from the General, I can give you very little information relative to his determination to inforce the order, for cropping the Hair, from every thing I can learn, his determination is to arrest me, a few posts will determine the business, and you shall be duly informed of the whole, as soon as possible after I receive his determination —

This is the most beautiful country I ever seen, what a drawback it is, that it is not healthy, you cannot conceive what pleasure it would give me to have a line from you, pray see Mrs Butler, and you can with propriety assure her that there is no danger from the fever in Orleans, unless a person enters

the City, which I assure you I do not mean to do,
I have written her to that effect, and wish you to be
so kind as to impress on her mind, that at the distance
my residence is from town there is not the least danger,
from the prevailing disease.—

Present my best respects
to Mrs Jackson, and accept yourself my compliments
and best wishes, expect to hear from me soon.—

I am Dr General your obedt. Servt.
Signd. Thos. Butler Col. 2nd. Regt.

The Majr. Genl. Andrew Jackson
Nashville

N. Orl * Oct * 16

The Honble Andrew Jackson

Nashville

State of Tennessee

mail

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Thos Butler
Letr Oct 1817

Twenty eight miles from Orleans
October 25th 1804 —

Dear General,

The following I have extracted from a letter of General Wilkensons to the officer in command at Orleans, dated the 17th of June "The General order respecting Colonel Butler has received the cordial approbation of sober sciences, though some of his partizans equally ignorant and zealous, have made a feeble attempt to combat principles, which cannot be shaken. — The destination of this officer seems as yet undecided the Secretary of war had arrested his progress at Tennessee, but I shall I believe repeat the order for his descent of the Mississippi" — also in a letter from the General to the Commandt at Orleans I find the following paragraph, which I also state for your perusal. "Augt 31st 1804, Colol Butler has signified to me by letter dated the 8th ultimo, his intention to proceed to New Orleans, to take the command agreeably to my orders, and to prevent trouble, perplexity and further injury to the service, I hope he will leave his tail behind him" —

Unless the President & heads of departments have advocated the conduct of the General (which I can hardly suppose) the foregoing can be considered in no higher point of view, than the bombast of the General arising from chagrine. —

I have assumed the command of the Troops in Lower Louisiana and shall proceed in the duties appertaining thereto, independant of any considerations except that of duty; until I receive the Generals answer to my letter of the 20th Augt wherein I gave him to understand that I should not conform to the order of the 30th April 1801. —

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As soon as I receive his answer you may rely on receiving the whole in detail, if the General has received the countenance of the President of the United States, and of the heads of departments an arrest will be the consequence, if that should not be the case it will pass off in a puff and he will be convinced that I do not copy his example, in always leaving a Tail behind me.

The City of Orleans has been severely visited with the yellow fever, and is at present as dangerous to foreigners as at any other stage, and will remain so until frost comes—

Abstracted from the Town there is no danger, I have not time to give you an Idea of the situation of this country, be assured that it is not very pleasing, a leven has been left by the french that will (I am afraid) sour the whole mass.—

My dear General, you shall frequently hear from me, you will please observe that the extracts are from official communications, your own good judgment will suggest the necessity of confining the contents to only those who you are sensible are interested in my welfare—

Do pray my Dr. sir call frequently to see my family, incourage Mrs. Butler to act like herself, in my absence.—

Make my best respects to Mrs. Jackson, and except my best wishes yourself, and believe me

Dear General yours sincerely;—

T. S. Butler Colonel
2nd Regt.

The Honble. Andw. Jackson
near Nashville—

N Or 1*Oct*23

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The Honble Andw Jackson Esqr

Nashville

Tennessee

Mail

Thos Butler
Oct 12.23.1804

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Quarters Eight miles from Orleans
Novr. 5th -- 1804 —

Dr. Sir

The Eastern Mail not having arrived at Fort Adams in time, I am again without a line from the eastward, or from any of my friends in Tennessee, this is a cause of much uneasiness, as I had flattered myself with having letters by this mail from all my Tennessee friends, I had also expected to have been able to send you the generals determination, which I must wait one other post for. —

The fever in orleans has abated, there has been no new cases for some time, the City begins to fill up, I shall not enter it, until after a frost, which is to be expected after the first rain. —

Make my best respects to Mrs. Jackson, I am dear general your Humbl. Servt.

Thos. Butler Cd.

The Honble. Andw. Jackson —

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The Honble
Andrew Jackson Esqr
Near Nashville
Tennessee

of Thos. Butler
Recd. 9th Nov.

Ansd. 20 —

City of Orleans Novr. 20th. 1804

Dear Sir,

Last evening I was arrested by The General in the words following,

Head quarters Frederick
Town Maryland
Octr. 10th. 1804

Sir

Your letter of the 24th of August has come to hand like that of the 5th of June, which you addressed to the Secretary of War, will receive all the consideration to which it is entitled: on the receipt of this you are to consider yourself in arrest, and will conform your conduct accordingly. — (Signed) James Wilkinson ——

Thus my worthy friend you see, that I am still persecuted, I have only a moment just to state the case, by next mail probably he may deign to let me know the charge, which you shall be immediately furnished with, when I shall have to call on my friends for their assistance, to have the case stated to the President, as I presume the counsel to the President is shut against me, as the communication which I sent him before I left Tennessee, as you advised, has not been answered, surely The President will not tamely look on and see

an officer borne down in this way; by oppressive Journey

if so then have I faithfully served my country for

nothing; in great haste I remain dear general

Your obed^t. Humb^l. Servt.

J. S. Butler

The Honble. Andrew Jackson —

Do my dear friend see Mrs. Butler

and impress on her mind the necessity of bearing up

against these momentary evils; —

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Maj. General Andrew Jackson

Nashville

Tennessee

Mail

Thos Butler

Novr 29 1812

COPY

Washington City D. C.
Decr. 6th 1804

Dear Sir,

You will long since have been informed, that Mr. Claiborne has been appointed Governor of Orleans Territory. Few with whom I have been acquainted, expected this event. Time will shew the propriety of the choice. The subject is scarcely mentioned here. You can determine how far on such an occasion, silence is to be construed into an approbation of an appointment. A letter was shewn to me this day, written by a gentleman of information in Orleans Territory, stating that the new Executive there had become very unpopular & that the people would not (if they had a choice) elect him to any office.

Our naval force in the Mediterranean, has bombarded the town of Tripoli with considerable success, having taken, or destroyed five of the Bey's gunboats and injured his town very much and it is expected before this, he has been compelled to accede to honorable terms.

General Turreau, Minister extraordinary from the Emperor of France to the United States, has arrived and been received by our Government. Jerome Bonaparte attempted to leave the U.S. in the frigate that brought the Minister to this country, but was prevented from clearing out of the bay by a british vessel that waited for him off the coast, he has therefore returned and will

remain longer in this Country.

Your Most obedt. Svt.

G. W. Campbell

Genl. Andrew Jackson

Endorsed: 6 Decr. 1801.

G. W. Campbell to
Genl. Andrew Jackson
Informing him of the
appointment of Mr. Claiborn
Govr. of Orleans Territory.

Wilkin

New orleans Decr 17th 1804 —

Dear General

I had the honor and pleasure of receiving your esteemed favor of the 16th ulto, my letter of the 20th inclosed a copy of the generals letter of arrest, since which I have not received a syllable from the General or any departments, I am in hopes that this days mail will bring me some information, if so, you shall be immediately informed, that is to say, by the subsequent mail, the arrangement at this place is bad in the post office, as the mail is late arriving and closed at ten oclock in the evening, letters seldom got untill next morning, of course it is impossible to answer a letter by the return mail, but you may rest assured of receiving every information the soonest possible.—

Your kind intention and that of my friends in Tennessee, merits my sincere acknowledgement, I am extremely anxious to have a letter from the Honble Wm Dickson, as he will have an opportunity of discovering whether this act of the Generals, is countenanced by the Executive, or heads of departments, which I can hardly suppose,— I had written on the 20th ulto to the Secretary of War requesting a speedy trial, should

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I shall really suppose that the avenues of communication have been intentionally shut.—

my health is good, and my native pride will support me under this persecution, the result cannot be dishonorable to me, so my dear General, see my family as often as you can spare as much time, my mind is superior to all kind of distress, but that of tender ties, within the circle of which my friends are embraced.—

I have met with marked attention from the governor, and some of the first people of the place, I have not suffered my usual prudence to abandon me, I know the wishes of that man, his pride would be, to collect something to tack to his robbing charge.—

—Make my respects to Mrs. Jackson and believe me dear General yours sincerely

Thd. Butler

General Andw. Jackson

Tennessee

adieu - write me often

NEW ORLEANS
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Honble

Andrew Jackson

near Nashville

Tennessee

Mail

Jno. S. Butler
Decr 13 1827

Orleans Decr. 24th. 1804 —

Dear Sir

I have just received a letter from the General, without a specification of the charge, he means to oppress me by procrastination I wish you would, request some of your friends to solicit the President to order me a speedy court, I shall send you by next mail a copy of the generals letter, at present I have not time as the mail closes in a few minutes. —

I have just received information that my friend Dr. P. Anderson was expected at Natchez on the 19th. Mr. Carter is here and gives me this information, he says the Doct told him that he hoped Mr. Bell and him mean to Bayo Pier. —

In great haste I have the honor to be
with great respect your Humbl Servt.

Thos. Butler C. —

The Honble. Andw. Jackson

Tennessee

93 Make my compliments to Mrs Jackson with the compliments of the season Ditto

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Honble Andw. Jackson Esqr.

Nashville

Tennessee

NEW-ORLEANS DEC. 25

Thos. Butler 25 Dec

mail

Orleans Decr. 31st. 1804—

Dear General,

You will observe by the enclosure, the State of my case, and that the General is determined to harrass and oppress me until his malignant disposition is Satiated. I should feel but little uneasiness under his persecution, had I not reason to suppose that he was countenanced in this persecution, by men in office; for the honor of our country, as well as of human nature, I hope I may be deceived in this idea, be that as it may General, I am sensible that power can only oppress for a time, principle must ultimately rise superior to tyranny.—

I have frequently written to my friends at Washington, but have not had a line from that quarter since the meeting of Congress, and from the Shortness of its session my enemy will gain his object by keeping back my trial until the session is over; if the General is countenanced in this persecution, it is with a design to force me out of service, a short time will develope the business.—

As the mail is so uncertain in its arrival, I shall keep this letter open until the last moment of closing it, as probably I may receive something to communicate to you, and as the General means to raise his second charge on the sentiments expressed in my letter to him of the 24th. August last, I will transcribe that letter for your perusal, altho you must have seen a copy of that letter, but least you have not, it is as follows—

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Nashville

(Letter quoted by the general)

Nashville August 14th 1804 —

Sir, By last mail I received a duplicate of your letter of the 9th ulto., with an additional note, directing me to note an error in sd. letter "and read 1st of February instead of 4th of February in the second paragraph." — I cannot help expressing much surprise that such an error should have crept in to your letter of the 9th ulto. when in the same letter you informed me, that my letter of the 5th of June to the Honble. Secretary of War ~~and then~~ had been submitted to you on which you remark "and I note the contents." — The subject matter of that letter required an open and decisive answer; as I had therein announced my determination not to conform to the first part of the order of the 1st Feby. 1804 (so far as related to cropping the hair) and had the order been correctly recited in your letter of the 9th of July last, I should have reiterated in my letter of the 6th inst. my determination not to conform to the first part of that order; having ever considered the order of the 30th of Apl. 1801, as an arbitrary infraction of my natural rights, and a noncompliance on my part, not cognizable by the articles of war: a correct recitation of that order would have drawn forth my refusal to conform to the first part, and enabled you to have taken such measures to inforce obedience as you might have deemed expedient; and probably have saved me the fatigues of a journey, of which I complained to the Honble. Secretary of War (in my letter to him of the 5th of June) as vexatious. — Notwithstanding the obstacles which I perceive in my way, yet I flatter myself that I shall in due time surmount them all, therefore permit me to inform you Sir. that I shall commence my journey to the City of Orleans by land (the only alternative left me) on Tuesday the 28th inst., and in order that a decision may be obtained, as to the legality of of that order, It becomes necessary for me to inform you, that I shall not conform the cut of my hair to the general order of the 30th of Apl. 1801.

The above was my answer to the general which grew out of the notice of the error, and his communications, and cannot be tortured in to any other position; 'tis true I gave him to understand that I seen his object in the false quotation, which I presume he feels, but I am not affraid but that I shall defend myself on this, as well as on every other charge

he may offer, provided I have an intelligent count, but he has in the inclosed letter observed that it must be a proper one, say of his choosing. ——

Make my respects to Mrs Jackson and believe me your very Hum^ble Servt.

T. Butler Col.

General Andw. Jackson

P.S. I kept this letter open to the last moment, the mail has arrived, but none farther than Fort Adams

Butler

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NEW ORLEANS
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Thos Batt
Decr 16
Recd

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Honble Andw Jackson Esqr
near Nashville
Tennessee

The proportion of Truxtons Race
drawn by Genl. Jackson was as follows

in cash — $400„
in Notes — 400„
in Horses — 120„
$920„ — — — $920

of which
A. Jackson draws $360„
J. Hutchings — — 360„
J. Coffee — — 200„
$920„ — — $920

A. Jacksons cash part is $156„52
J. Hutchings — do. — — 156„52
J. Coffee — — do. — — 86„96
$400„ — — $400

A. Jackson Note part is $156„52
J. Hutchings — do. — 156„52
J. Coffee — — do. — 86„96 — — 400
$400„

A. Jacksons Horse part is $46„95½
J. Hutchings do. — — 46„95½
J. Coffee — do. — — 26„9 — — 120
$120„ — $920

Expences of Keeping in ~~[illegible]~~ $208„2 Say our part $104=25
of which A. Jackson pays $40-70
J. Hutchings — — 40-70
J. Coffee — 22-85
$104=25 — — $104=25

1805

Division of profits
& [illegible] of the [illegible]
Expence

Race

between, J. D.
" J. A.
& J. C.

Cantonment [illegible] River
24th Jany. 1815

D. Sir

I inclose you a statement of the Issues & Sales of Mdze. since my arrival and am sorry to communicate the little encouragement I meet with in trade in consequence of several obstacles 1st. from the high price the Blankets sells at not only that but they are entirely rotten which deters the Indians from trading for the Cloths.

When Mr. Swanson left this there was two Bales of Blankets unbaled, after some time I opened one of them & found them so much damaged that they were entirely unsaleable so much that the Indians would not buy them at all I then opened the second Bale & if any difference they were worse than the first insomuch that when one would take them in their hands & give them a little jirk they would break to pieces in some dozen places & they are so verry narrow the Indians would not buy them if they were of a good quality.

2nd. Double head & Tolon two Chiefs in the Cherokee nation has recd. an assortment of Goods this season & sells verry large excellent Blankets at 3 dollar which cannot be but verry little more than prime cost in fact they sell many articles below prime cost — Mr.

Colston

Colbert & Mr. Mitton who keeps separate stands in the nation

sells [illegible] low, they say they can afford it as they lay in

their Goods at Charls. at a very reduced rate — The Chero-

kees will bring their Beaver & otter by here and ask money

if they don't get it they carry it on to the Shoals where

they say they can get any thing they want for it

As for the Chickasaws I have not recd. 10 dollars worth

of Peltry since I have been here, they have got disgus-

ted at the Store by some means or other previous to my co-

ming; I have requested Major Colbert to tell them

there was a new Store keeper, as they & Mr. Swanson

did not agree hoping that might be an inducement

for them to come & deal again but all to no purpose

Mr. Samuel Mitchel Agent for the Chickasaws was here

a few days ago on his way to the Federal City & told me

the Chickasaws carry their hunts to Mobile where Goods sells

at least 50 pr Cent Cheaper than they do either at

Bluffs or this Place & peltry 50 pr Cent higher than

it does here which is a sufficient inducement for

an Indian to travel 2 or 300 Miles for —

There is a number of articles I wrote to Messrs.

Deaderick & Tatum for which are so essential in this

place they could hardly be dispensed with, likewise

Messrs. Deaderick & Tatum gave me instructions

to

to purchase Beef Cattle & pork, but was I to offer six dollars ꝑ hundred for either on Merchandise I could not buy a pound as they will not part with them articles for any thing but Mony ——

There is an Issuing commissary wanting at this place at present & I would be glad to accept of it, as it would not interfere with my business or either yours for it would not occupy more than half an hour once every four days; if you have no objections against my a[illegible] as such I would be glad you would write my [illegible] [illegible] — Give my best respects to Mrs. Jackson accept of the same yourself —

I am Dr. Sir with every
Mark of esteem Yr. Most
Devoted Humb. Servt.

Jas. Irwin

Genl. Andrew Jackson

By way [illegible]

Genl. Andrew Jackson
Davidson County
Tennessee

Jas Brevin
23d Jany 1818

pr. Mail

Eddyville Jan. 25. 1805.

Sir,

I take the liberty of enclosing some papers relative to a commercial company which has been in contemplation by several Gentlemen of this State. Perhaps you may have seen the same in the Newspapers, to which they were forwarded by Governor Greenup, to whom they were enclosed with a request to dispose of them as he thought proper. He is very friendly to the project. The enclosed petition was numerously signed and presented to the late Legislature; - but the jealousy and influence of the Lexington Insurance and banking company has defeated the object of incorporation in this State. You will in a moment see the public and private Utility to be derived from such an institution and the objects to which it can be applied. Should the project meet your approbation, you will judge of the propriety of forwarding a petition to the Legislature of Tennessee. Should it not meet your approbation your liberality will pardon the liberty I have taken, and you may believe me to be with high respect your Obt. Servt.

M Lyon

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P.S. The purport of the Bearer Mr. Prince is to purchase or Barter for a boat load of corn for me, should it chance to be in your way to deal with him you may rely on his engagements.

You may perhaps make it your interest to use a Brig I am building to ship cotton or other produce to Liverpool in which case I will be very reasonable in the price of freight. &c.

ESTIMATE

FOR ESTABLISHING AND SUPPORTING

A LINE OF BARGES FROM NEW ORLEANS TO THE RIVER OHIO, ONE YEA[R]

SIX BARGES and rigging, carrying 60,000 lbs. each, to coſt 3000 dollars, intereſt at 10 per cent. -	3[illegible]
Wear and tear of ſix barges, and expenſe of keeping them in repair, 200 dollars each, - - - -	1,200
Four barge crews, each to be commanded by a captain, 300 dollars each, - - - - - -	1,200
A ſupercargo to accompany each barge, 250 dollars each, - - - - - - - - -	1,500
Each barge to be navigated by 18 oars-men, and four crews to be ſtationed at four different places, viz. Orleans, Natchez, Ozark, and New Madrid, making in the whole 72 men, at 20 dollars a month, -	17,280
Rations for 4 captains, 6 ſupercargoes, and 72 men, at 25 cents for each ration, - - - - -	7,492 50
Allowance for incidental expenſes, - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	3,437 50
Dollars,	32,400

It is expected that a barge with its crew may ſtart from New Orleans, and arrive at Natchez in 15 days, where it may meet a returning barge, theſe barges may change crews, and the crew that left New-Orleans may return there in 18 days. Thus allowing 18 days for a voyage from one ſtation to another, up and down, it will require 36 days to Ozark, 54 days to New Madrid and 72 days to any place on ſuitable water for a barge 250 or 300 miles above the mouth of Ohio; that is, up to Naſhville on Cu[mberland,] mouth of Green river, Wabaſh, Miſſouri, or Illinois, 60 days, and 12 days to return to New [Orleans,] which may be done with great eaſe in a barge well manned with oars-men. According to this plan a [barge] may ſtart every 18 days, or at leaſt three every two months, and one may arrive as often, wi[thout] allowing any interruption to take place in the line. Thus 18 barge cargoes may be carried up, and as [many] carried down, each of 60,000 lbs. weight in the year, by the ſame 72 boat-men. Each captain ſhould, [in] changing barges, remain with his men, and each ſurpercargo remain with his barge. As there are ſix ba[rges] propoſed and but four crews, there might always be one barge at each extreme of the voyage, unde[r the] care of the ſupercargo, who might have it loaded and ready to depart on the arrival of a crew.

Theſe barges might carry up to the places above mentioned in the courſe of the year, 540 tons, at [illegible] per lb. - - - - - - - - - - - -	[illegible]
They might carry down 540 tons, at 1 cent per lb. - - - - - -	[illegible]
Which would exactly meet the whole expenſe of the eſtabliſhment, - - - *Dollars,*	32,4[illegible]

It is worthy of remark that from New Orleans to the upper waters above mentioned, the uſual price of freight is 5 cents per lb.; if then theſe barges were entirely employed on freight, and to have returning cargoes at 1 cent, their freights would amount to 64,800 dollars, making a clear profit of 32,400 dollars. It may likewiſe be remarked that the upper countries above mentioned have uſually been ſupplied with goods over land from the Atlantic, at an expenſe of 10 cents per lb. on an average. The adoption of the propoſed plan, in preference to ſuch a conveyance, would ſave to the country 8 cents on every pound weight, or on the quantity which might be carried up in one year with theſe ſix barges, the ſum of 86,400 dollars.

Andrew Jackson, Esqr

Davidson Co.

Tennessee

[illegible] 1793 Sept 179[illegible]

Orleans Jany 28th 1805—

Dear General

The last mail having been cut open on the road to this place, has caused the failure of this days mail, and I have cause to believe that sundry letters to me from the City of Washington had been taken out, I received one from Doctr Dickson, wherein he observes that a resolution then lay on the table to enquire in to the state of the military, the object of which was the propriety of keeping up the general staff.—

I am extremely anxious to hear from Washington, but shall have to suffer one other anxious week, the Honble Secretary will not deign to answer one of my letters, I have little doubt, but that he is my enemy, and if the address of the General has not had its

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influence on the mind of the President, the other will not affect me much; do my worthy friend give me all the information in your power from time to time, be assured I am too proud to sink under this persecution, and a day of retribution must come round, and that before long, I feel more for Mrs Butler and my family than for myself, altho it is grating to the feelings of a man of honor to be Jassed in this manner, yet I hope my character as an officer, and my standing in society, will shield me from the attacks of malevolence

Remember me affectionately to your good lady -

I am Dear General with
respect Your Humbl. Servt.

Thos. Butler

The Honble. Andw Jackson

Tennessee

The Honble

Andrew Jackson Esqr

near Nashville

Tennessee

NEW-ORLEANS
JAN.
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Mail

Thos Butler
[illegible]

Cantonment Tenn. River
Genl. Andrew Jackson 9th February 1816

Dr. Sir

I have the honor to acknow the receipt of your favor by Lieut. Braham & hasten to comply with your request — I wrote you by last mail & enclosed you a memorandum of Furrs & Peltry but have recd. more in & enclose you a second stating the agg. Amt. of what I have recd. since my arrival — I omitted writing you relative to the purchase I made of Capt. John Smith T. & I find from your letter stated that the Tobacco weighed 550 lbs. Capt. Smith calculated on its weighing 600 lbs. but we could not weigh it in consequence of the River bottom being inundated, we could not get a carriage near to it & we had no Steelyards that would draw so heavy a draught; I then told Capt. Smith I would call on Lieut. Simmons to see it weighed which I did & it weighed 380 lbs. that at $\frac{31\frac{1}{4}}{100}$ pr lb. is \$118.75 I also told Capt. Smith I would communicate the purchase to you in order that you might give his Acct. Credit for the Amt. thereof: I find no difficulty in retailing it 50 Cents pr lb. & to the Cherokees I can sell it at 4 Shillings pr lb. in Furrs & Peltry it is an article much in demand in this place & there was none in the Store

There was several remnants of Muslin on the assortment that was on hands when I came in your employ that was quite unsaleable in consequence of its being damaged (this is the muslin you allude to I suppose) but I am not able to inform you who you got it from or what quantity there was of it, as it was not Invoiced as such

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I have met with but little encouragement in trades as yet though the Hunters began to come in now but the misfortune of it is they want money for their Peltry & furrs in order that they may trade with Double head as they say he sells much cheaper than any of the other traders which is truly the case for he sells many articles under prime cost & the Indians is perseaded from that, circumstance that all the other traders is extortioners & imposters, but I hope Mr. Double heads Store will not last long and particularly so to the greif of his Creditors I stated in my other letter every thing relative to the trading business here, the advantages and disadvantages now attending — also relative to the Blankets on hands at this place which I find very unsalable —

I here State the Memmorandom of Furrs & Peltry with their Amt. annexed, after deducting 20 ₽ Cent for Tary & Shanks —

A Memmorandom of Furrs & Peltry &c. by me Since the 19th November 1804 until 6th February 1805 —

[illegible] lb 16⅔	$ Cts	No. Bear skins	at	$	No. Small Furs	at	$	No. otters	at	$	lb Beaver at 100	$	No. of Feathers	at	$	
770	133⅓	2 2 2 2	100 50 25 37½	2,, 1,, ,50 ,75	82 63	12½ 16⅔	10,, 10,50	9	200	18,,	11½	11,50	2	37½	,,75	At Amt.
[illegible]	8		12,25	145	–	20,50	9	"	18,,	11½	11,50	2	"	,,75		$183,58⅓

Cash on hand is $ 19 50/100 those that Capt. Campbell & Mr. Swanson Credited have no pretentions to paying their debts, particularly the Indians, those that have Credit here carry their Hunts to the Shoals and some to Mobile but never come this way except when they have nothing and want more credit —

I wish you to write by first Mail in answer to my last letter

letter as I expect the Troops will be here shortly and the Commissary will be wanting them ——

I am D.r Sir with very
Sentiments of Esteem
Your M.o H.bl Serv.t

Ja.s Bruin

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By way

Genl. Andrew Jackson
Davidson County
Tennee.

Jas. Irwin
1803

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Bachelor Hall Feb 16 1846

D S: I have bout some foder & Corn & Cont get it without the mony pray Sir if you can Lend mea about $30 for about Ten days this shal bea returnd with pleasure

Blackmore says hea will not pay mea one dollar hea will plead the Gameing act you See Sir frend

Pa. Anderson

I want To Sea you verry much

P.A.
Gel. Jackson

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Lemuel Donelson

Genl. Jackson

By

Lemuel Donelson

Patton Anderson
No. Feby 4. 1833

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Orleans February 18th 1805—

Dear General,

[illegible] calculated upon receiving some info[illegible] from Washington by this days mail, but as usual a blank, I have cause to complain of my friends in that quarter for their taciturnity.—

I am now perfectly satisfied that the heads of departments are one and all my enemies, and have nothing to expect from that quarter but hard knocks, I shall prepare myself to fend off, so let them come on, I long to meet the tug of war.—

I shall now inform you of a very unfortunate affair that took place a few days since, young Mr Lewis fell in a duel, he was shot through the breast, barely spoke, and then expired, the cause of quarrel was the publication which have lately filled our papers, which you must have seen, for any other news we have none, it would have given me pleasure to have received a

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line from you by this mail, but suppose that you have been too much hurried with business, of late, do my dear frien[d let] me know if you have received [any communic]ation from the gentleman members [of th]e State, as I cannot conceive what is the cause of their silence,

Make my respects to Mrs Jackson, and pray encourage my little wife as often as you can see her, accept my best respects yourself — and believe me dear General your

Affm[ate]. Servt.

J. D. Butler

General Jackson

General Andw Jackson

Nashville

Tennessee

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Thos Butler
Feby 19 1805

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General Andw. Jackson
Nashville
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NEW-ORLEANS FEB 19

Thos. Butler
Feby 19 1815

Fort Adams Apr. 17th. 1805—

Dear General—

Last evening I had the pleasure of receiving your favor of the 10th. ulto. expressing equal surprise at the silence of the members in congress from Tennessee. I certainly had reason to have expected answers to sundry letters addressed to them, but in that expectation I have been disappointed, and I have reason to presume that there is a fixed determination in the heads of departments to bear me down; but sir, while I have one man of sense and worth to approbate my conduct, I shall meet the persecution undismayed.—

Last evening I also received the charges as exhibited by the general, which I shall state for your information, they are as follows.— "Head Quarters
" Washington Feby. 11th. 1805.— Sir, the following are the transgressions
" for which you are arrested, and must hold yourself in
" readiness to answer to a military Tribunal.——"

" Charge 1st. Wilful, obstinate, and continued disobedience
" of the general order of the 30th. of April 1801, for regulating the
" cut of the hair, and also disobedience of the order of the
" 1st. of February 1804. Specification, by refusing to conform
" the cut of your hair to the general order of the 30th. of April
" 1801, as directed in the order of the 1st. of February 1804, and con=
" =tumaciously resisting the authority of the orders, after you had
" been tried by a general Court martial, found guilty of
" the disobedience of the general order of the 30th. of Apl. 1801,
" and sentenced to be reprimanded in general orders".—

Charge 2nd Mutinous conduct — Specification — by appearing
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publickly in command of the Troops, at the City of New Orleans

Orleans, with your hair cued, in direct and open violation of the General orders of the 30th of April 1801, and of the 15th of February 1804, thereby giving an example of disrespect and contempt to the orders and authority of the commanding General, tending to dissolve the bonds of Military subordination, to weaken the force of those obligations by which Military men are bound to obedience, and to excite a spirit of sedition and mutiny in the army of the united States.—"

These are the charges to which I am to plead to on the 10th of May at the City of orleans, to which place I shall proceed in a few days; on the 25th of last February I requested permission of the Honble Secretary of war to return to Tennessee as soon as my trial should close, but from the treatment that I have received, I have little expectation to receive that privilege, as he has not answered a single letter addressed to him on my present case, therefore the presumption is strong that I shall be ordered to remain until the general may think proper to return the proceedings, the 10th of October was the date of my arrest, and to say that the court will convene on the 10th of May (which I doubt) will be a lapse of seven months, and if the Secretary had been friendly towards me, he would not have suffered me to remain seven months in arrest without a trial; but do not be uneasy, I shall adhere to my old principles, <u>the laws of my country</u>, but should their protection be withheld by design, I shall then defend myself.

I have not had the pleasure of seeing Mr Hutchings, he having passed to orleans whilst I was on my way to Natchez to purchase my son to proceed to Tennessee, and I spare you my

friend that I found it necessary to send a way the Horse that your friendship furnished me with when leaving Tennessee, with one other of my own, keeping became so expensive, that I put them both in one, for the manner in which I have been treated has drained my pocket, but as soon as Mr. Hutchings returns from Orleans, we will make such arrangement as will provide for his accommodation; and should I receive permission to visit my family, I shall lose no time after the close of my trial.—

Make my respects acceptable to Mrs. Jackson, and accept my best respects yourself—

I am dear General Your Humbl.
Servt. Thos. Butler

General Andw. Jackson
Tennessee

General Andrew Jackson

Nashville

Tennessee

pr Mail

Thos Butler
Feby 17 180[illegible]

Butler

Orleans — May 27th 1805 —

Dear General —

The mail has just arrived but not a sentence relative to my trial, nor no information from the upper Country relative to Col. Hunt or the members from that quarter, except a report from Massac that the Compan-ies from that place ordered to Orleans had received orders to remain for further orders, if so, the generals object is to school the ——— before they descend the river, this is not Justice but a denial of it, and a time must arrive when these acts must be investigated. — I shall continue to give you every information in my power, and note every occurrence that will ultimately expose this business. —

Adieu my dear general and believe me

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Genl. Andw. Jackson — Esq — Thos. Butler Col 2d Regt.

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General Andrew Jackson
Nashville
Tennessee

mail

Col Thos Butler
May 28 1815

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Orleans June 9th 1805—

Dear Genl.

I waited with great impatience the arrival of this days mail, in hopes to ascertain when my court would convene, but without effect, I believe the order for convening the court on the 18th of May was merely to amuse, I am now persuaded that the President of the Court and the members from the upper posts are not to leave the upper Station until the General descends the River to School them, as there is not the smallest information of their being on the River, I have no doubt but it would be a gratification was the climate and disease of the city to take me out of the way; I could not have supposed that the President would have looked on and seen me treated in the manner that I have been; nor that the Secretary of war answered my letter soliciting his

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his permission to visit Tennessee, as soon
as the proceedings on my trial would
be closed; I have no doubt of a wish
existing to put me out of service, but
I am determined to remain, unless the protection
of the laws of my country are withheld, and
then I shall protect myself.—

The City remains as yet
healthy, how long that will be the case is
uncertain, as the season has become extremely
warm, pray continue to write me, as it will
be a great satisfaction whilst detained in
this country, and you may expect to hear
from me as oft as I have any thing to
communicate, — my best respects to Mrs Jackson,

I am with respect your obed.t
Serv.t Th.s Butler Col.

General Andw. Jackson
near Nashville
Tennessee

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Genl. Andrew Jackson

Nashville

Tennessee

Mail

Thos. Butler
June 11 18[illegible]

Capt. Edward Ward

Sir,

Imperious circumstances compels me again to bring to your view, the subject of Money, and briefly to state that the amount due at present would be a great convenience to me to receive, I cannot believe [illegible] that you can seriously be impressed with the belief, that ~~you are now authorised~~ ~~the tenor of our contract~~ authorized you to discharge a part thereof in Negroes — had Negroes been offered before Mr. Hutchings descended the river with Negroes for sale they would have been rec.d before the landing, the expected [illegible] of his departure you were informed of by me, with the express desire that you might discharge in part in Negroes, which if you had I would have been in cash for them before this, as you did not name Negroes, then and the time elapsed I did (and with propriety) conclude that you and Negroes would not have been named after [illegible] had provided other means, to meet your engagement — Looking over your letter of the 12th ultimo in which you seem to hold out the idea of the right still to pay part in Negroes, induces me thus far to notice the subject & contents of that letter — Should you still be of that opinion I will thank you to explicitly declare it. If so, you know my opinion on that subject, we are at issue — as to your offer of giving property at valuation, I have only to observe that if my Creditors would receive their debts thus, I would meet every demand in your hours, this not being the case, makes cash the object, I have to request your answer to this letter, and beg you to state whether you have found any Errors in the statement herewith forwarded, relation being had to the statement forwarded to you the 9th ultimo — and at what time you will be in cash to discharge your bond — next week I must have money, and should I not receive it from you will be compelled to bring your Bond into market and raise what money on it [illegible] this will be truly disagreeable to me and I have no doubt unpleasant to you, But my engagements I must meet, this was the object of my sale of my Possessions — and from that sale I must realise that object — on the first of May Ballance due me as pr Statement

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Rendered you	$1721.88.½	Contra Credit	
Interest to the first of June inst.	8.60.¾	May 20th 1805	
	$1730.49.¼	By cash pr Mr Burton	$278.22
Deduct	278.68.⅓	Interest 10 days	46
~~Ballance due first of~~	~~1451 [illegible]~~	Deduct this from the above	278.68
Ballance due June 1805	$1451.80.½		

E. E.

I set out this evening for Robertson County and will thank you for an answer pr bearer. Should you not be at home on the delivery of this at your house shall expect ~~to ans~~ meet an answer at home on Thursday evening. I am Sir with due regard yr mo ob Servt

Andrew Jackson
June 10th 1805

P.S. It is of great importance for me to know early whether you will have it in your power to raise the present or early part of the ensuing week. A J

Copy of letter & Statement To E. Ward. June 10th 1805

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1st The 4th of July 76. the glorious day, on which millions resolved to be free or die; May the present and future generations enjoy the blessings of our revolution achieved by the blood, virtue & courage of their ancestors, unimpaired and be ever ready to defend it.

2. The people of america, may they always view the constitution our political bark, union the sheet anchor ~~[illegible]~~ and Virtue the main pillar of our liberty and independance.

3. Thomas Jefferson P. U. States, May the future like his past conduct, be founded ~~on~~ on wisdom and Virtue – procure for him the esteem of all good men, and the admiration of his enemies; May he ever enjoy the affections of a gratefull country –

4 The patriots of 76. who preferred death rather than submission ~~to a Tyrant~~ – a bright example to the oppressed, and a solemn warning ~~to a Tyrant~~ ~~the oppressor~~ to a Tyrant

5th George Clinton, Vice President of the united states the sage, the Patriot and honest man

6. The memory of Genl G. Washington, and the band of heroes, who fought, bled and died to attain for the happy people of america their glorious Jubilee

7 The Militia of the united states – the sure Bulwark of freedom – May they always defend it

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The American people the favoured of heaven reaping the golden harvests peace and plenty whilst ~~the old world~~ europe is involved in misery and war—

The general and state governments—[illegible] [illegible] —May the good and happiness of the people be their compass and square—

Col. Thomas Butler—may private worth and virtue live triumphant over persecution—

8 The State of Tennessee, ~~May she become a keystone to an national arch~~ May she always keep in view, that religion morality, & virtue, combined with talents in her officers are the only sure pledge of internal happiness ~~or~~ national prosperity and future greatness—

9 The godess of liberty, may she range unconfined over the earthly globe, spreading her benign influence from the Eastern to the western hemisphere, always finding ~~[illegible]~~ soldiers to put Tyrants down

10. Louisiana—May she be shortly ~~[illegible]~~ admitted as an independant member of the union—and realise all the blessings attendant on a free and enlightened nation, under a government of laws of their own choice

11. The army of the united states—May the officer and soldier that is willing to defend liberty ever enjoy freedom—may he never be doomd to persecution and Tyranny under a government of laws to satiate the spleen of a would be Despot

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~~[illegible]~~

17 The peoples Sovereign—The american fair, may [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ May the [illegible] of freedom [illegible]

the tree of Liberty, may [illegible]

~~[illegible]~~, the [illegible] may ~~[illegible]~~ be disfigured with catter pillers or insects

its Branches ever be preserved from the ravages of catter pillers or insects

15 The aurora—May its Lustre never be dimi:nished by the foggy laws of any tyranny ~~[illegible]~~ and Federalism—

13 American manufactures may they soon be on a par with our agriculture & commerce and become equal to our wants—

12 May hypocrisy, faction and Strife be rooted from the bosom of every true ~~american~~ Republican, that the Spirit of cordiality Love, and unanimity, may prevail ~~[illegible]~~ with every true american—

Orleans July 8th.. 1805—

Dr Genl

You will no doubt expect to hear from me, you must know, that under every disad=vantage, I named a President and put myself on trial, on the arrival of as many officers as would compose the court, determining to have a trial, putting the case on the illegallity of the order, what the fate may be is hard to say, every stratagem has been used to gain a verdict against me, but before an intelligent court I should have nothing to fear, but my defence placed the whole subject matter in so clear a point of view that let the decision be as it may my friends will approbate my conduct and principles.— This day, Mr Brown Judge Advocate replied to my defence, tomorrow I give in a rejoinder which will close the business. You shall as soon as possible have a copy of my defence. I mean to leave the City on Wednesday for a farm which my nephew has just purchased on the coast about seven Leagues from this place where I presume I shall have to remain until the General may think

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proper to return the proceedings, as the Secretary of war has not deigned to answer my application to return to Tennessee as soon as the court would close, — Pray write me addressed to orleans, — as nothing will give me more pleasure than to have a line from you — my health has been much better than I had any reason to expect, The City has been generally healthy; untill within a few days some bilious complaints have appeared; but nothing yet like yellow fever, —

with my best respects to Mrs. Jackson

I am Dear Sir, your Humble Servt

Th. Sd. Butler —

General Andw. Jackson

Tennessee

P.S. The extract from the Presidents letter which you were pleased to send me, would not be admitted as Testimony, but will I presume have the same effect as the members heard it read, but was not admitted on the record of the proceedings —

Butler

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Genl. Andrew Jackson

Near Nashville

Tennessee

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[illegible] July 15th [illegible]

I have now the honor to forward for your perusal a copy of my defence, which I will [illegible] to a [illegible] as it might be considered improper to [illegible] it to the world until the proceedings had passed the proper department for approval or disapproval, the points on which I founded my defence are generally [illegible] and with an intelligent counsel might have secured an acquittal in my favour — but this I have no hope of succeeding, for if I have any knowledge of circumstances, I think it is a previously fixed determination in a bare majority of the Court to legalize the order in the face of a positive act of Congress, and a precedent set by an order as stated by the Marquis De La Fayette, and a decision of the Secretary of the Navy in the case of Doctor William [illegible] however [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] may be [illegible]

I should not have consented to come to trial under the unfavourable circumstances

that I was obliged to do, had I been any possible [illegible] of getting a fair trial: but the general had nominated every member, and kept back those whom he doubted of; there were but two of my former court on the present, but I cannot express to you the base intrigue to gain a verdict against me, and altho' I cannot think so criminally of the decision, yet I have no expectation that it is otherwise than as I have stated. I have not time to say half what I wish to say to you, nor would it be prudent; the court would not receive as testimony the extract from the President's letter you were pleased to send me, nor would I be permitted to prove the illegal orders as stated in my defence, but as soon as the decision is known I shall advise with you on the proper steps to take to procure redress, and I never will submit to be disgraced by an act where the law should decide me. —

in great haste your general [illegible]

I am your obed.t Humble Serv.t

Thos. Butler Col.

General Andw. Jackson —

P.S. The Secretary not having answered my letter requesting to return to Tennessee as soon as my trial would be over, I intend to leave the city in the morning for a plantation purchased by my nephew about eight leagues up the coast where I shall remain until my case is known. — Butler — pray take care of the copy sent as I have none other but an incorrect one —

General Andrew Jackson

Nashville

Tennessee

Summer residence Eight miles
from Orleans Augt 26.th 1805—

Dear General,

My last mail I had the pleasure of receiving your favor of the 2.^d inst.^t but at too late an hour to be answered by the return mail.— I was happy to hear of your health, and that you had received my letter of the 15.th ulto. with its en=closure.— You request me if possible, to give you a feature of the decision of the court on my trial; this I hinted at in my last, but it is impossible to give a correct idea as to what the sentence will be; and it will be some time yet before the decision is fully known; however Sir, I do not expect to be disappointed as to the result, as I thought that I could discover, that the General had established a decided influence over a majority of the court, and my only object in putting myself on trial under such degra=ding and unfavourable circumstances was, to have it in my power (with the assistance of my friends) to lay a State of my case before Congress at their next session; as I well knew, if I declined coming to trial under every disadvantage imposed on me by the Genl, that he would procrastinate my trial and throw the blame on myself, and by that means defeat my object.—

These were my reasons Sir, for putting myself on trial under every possible disadvantage, and if a majority of that court has decided against me, their decision is founded on the letter of the order, and consequently absurd; this will raise the necessity of laying the subject before Congress at their next session; who will no doubt, not only con=ceive it a duty to enquire in to the lawfulness of the Genl order of the 30.th of April 1801, but also in to the arbitrary persecution with which I have been loaded for upwards of two years! but I have this pleasing reflection General, that I am certain, every independent and virtuous Amer=ican, will spurn with contempt such base acts, and view them as calculated to destroy the principles, and cut asunder the sinews of our government.—

Shall we never assume a national character! are we to be eternally goaded with the arbitrary customs of Europe, is it not evident that the principles on which

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which our government is founded, the rules and regulations as established by law for the government of the army, as well as custom in the revolutionary war, are all with me on this occasion, nor do I doubt of having the approbation of every american who has the future welfare of his country at heart, as respects my conduct in this case.—

I ask General, must not that cause be radically wrong: where ever was reduced to the pitiful necessity, of artfully introducing long and laboured communications from the disciples of Marshal Sax, in order to bewilder the Court, and prevent an investigation of the lawfulness of the said order of the 30th of April 1801, on which my charges were founded? his not one of them (for once the General States adjutant general to the last (or lost) army commanded by General Washington) told us in the language of despotism "His inferiors have nothing left to their discretion, they must obey.—" Yes, they must obey what the articles of war direct "Lawful Commands" and I will here venture to observe, that there never was, and I hope there never will be a Senate of the united States, that would by and with their advice and consent, create any man at the head of the american army avowing such principles.— now Sir, let these gentlemen who were so alert in mounting their War Horses at the Sound of the Generals Trumpet, lay their hands on their breasts and say, was it either lawful or honorable, to give an opinion whilst a trial was pending.—

But do you believe, or even suppose Sr, that americans would submit to have their heads shorn, and wear black or Grey lambskin Caps as Marshal Sax recommended, let those who admire and subscribe to the vagaries of Sax, answer that question: they will doubtless, tell us, that he has been considered as a great man, let them have it so, as they will have to acknowledge at the same time, that (like many others who wish to be thought great men) he was visionary, fond of change and little

in many things.— I would here ask the general and the insti=
=tuted admirer of Prussia what would be the fate of a general in
the Prussian service, who would have dared by an order to
crop off the queues of the troops under his command, and
substitute the marshall Cumberland caps in opposition
to the established regulations of his King; I think old
Frederick would have spilled at least one pound of snuff
on the frillings of his coat, to see his Prussians so treated;
nor would it require the second sight of a North Britton
to discover what the fate of that general would be? and
shall a general in the american army, crush with
impunity seek a power, in open violation of the
laws and established regulations; I shall never bring
myself to believe that the legitimate authority of
our country will suffer so dangerous a precedent
to be established in the united states.—

I shall close this letter with
one other remark on the conduct of the general, in put=
=ing in to action his plans, in order to gain his point.
a few weeks previous to the commencement of my
trial, he wrote to the commanding officer at New
Orleans, as follows, "You will be pleased to signify
to the Gentlemen of the corps, that the President [of]
the united States, without any public expression
has thought proper to adopt our fashion of the hair,
by <u>Cropping</u>." Now Sir, I cannot believe, or even
suppose, that the President of the united States,
would stoop to such an expedient, in order to obt=
=ain a verdict against me! but if he has parted
with his locks, and authorized the general to use
his name for the purpose before mentioned, it would
astonish me in deed, and for the honor of my country
I hope and trust, that it is not the case, but if it
should unfortunately be so, it would establish this
position, that the President was sensible of the illega=
=lity of the order of the 30th of April 1801, and that by
cropping his hair, and adding his weight to that of the

generals, it might probably reconcile the army, and prevent the national legislature from investigating the illegality of the order, and of the generals conduct towards me. —

I fear that I have tried your patience with this long letter, but as it may be of some importance to the interest of our country, to throw as much light as possible on a subject founded in Tyranny, I shall from time to time take the liberty of stating to you such matter as have occurred through the course of this unprecedented persecution. —

Believe me dear general, with sincere respect and esteem
your Hum.bl Serv.t
Thos. Butler

Gen.l Andw. Jackson
Tennessee —

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F. Adams, Aug 30

Way

General Andrew Jackson
Near Nashville
State of Tennessee

Mail

light as possible on a subject founded in Tyranny, I shall from time to time take the liberty of stating to you such matter as have occurred through the course of this unpre=cedented persecution. —

Believe me dear General, with sincere respect and esteem
your Obedt. Servt.
Thos. Butler

Genl. Andw. Jackson
Tennessee —

F-Adams, Aug't. 30

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Way

General Andrew Jackson
near Nashville
State of Tennessee

Mail

(Private)

Summer residence eight leagues
from orleans 26th of Decr
1805—

Dear General

In answer to the last part of your esteemed favor of the 2nd inst. wherein you mention the death of Mrs. — Butler's mother, and that the old lady had left to the heirs of Mr Butler a number of negroes, and request to know my wishes relative thereto.—

be assured General, that I am totally ignorant of the proper steps to be taken in a case of that nature; I had fondly hoped that the Secretary of war, would have granted me liberty to return to Tennessee; for the purpose of making those arrangements, which were obligatory on me, after the death of Mr Butler, but in that expectation I have been disappointed, as the Secretary has been as silent as the grave on the subject.—

You must have seen the will left by the deceased Mr Wilkinson, and must know that the Farm on which Mrs Butler lived, as well as that adjoining, were left to the youngest son, with (as I at present conceive) a portion of the negroes; and should any part of the personal property come within my disposal, my intention was, to have instantly placed it to the portion of the other children, as I conceived the division very unequal; these were ideas that I meant to have suggested to you, had I been permitted to return to Tennessee as solicited; and

I assure you general, that I am totally ignorant of the steps I should take in the case you mention, but if you will be so kind as to hint to me what should be done on my part, I shall cheer=fully perform it, as it will be my pride, and afford me secret pleasure, to do the best in my power, for the children of her whome I so sincerely loved.—

A few weeks must bring me the decision of the court, and enable me to form some idea or plan to pursue, your advice on the foregoing subject, as well as on the subject mentioned in my letter to you of the 5th inst. will be gratefully received—

My sincere and best respects to Mrs. Jackson, and believe me dear general with esteem and respect your Humbl. Servt.

Jno. S. Butler

Genl. Andw. Jackson
Tennessee —

PS I wish you would write a letter to the friends of Mr Butler in Virginia, stating my situation ~~at present~~, and incapacity to act ~~at present~~. —

Aug 30 Way 26

General Andw Jackson

Nashville

Tennessee

mail

John Cathey Gallatin 9th Augt. 1802

To Jackson & Hutchings Dr.

1805	To 2 pr. Slippers	200 & 212½	4.12½
8 May	" Merch'z. pr. Mrs. Sydnor		3. "
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	" William Oneal for		2.
	" Lemuel Hutchings		1.37½ 7.50
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Gallatin 20th Dec. 1805 — This day came before me James Irwin and made oath that the above acct. is Just three ^eighty^ seven dollars twelve & one half cents which was not delivered under ^his^ my trade to the best of his knowledge

M. Alexander J.P.

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Jno Kelley
in a/c with
T. J.

Dec. 22

It is to be understood that there are six persons concerned in the Race between Captn. Pryor & Captn. Joseph Erwin between Truxton & Plow-Boy to be run agreeable to articles &c. (Viz) Genl. Jackson. Capt. Pryor, Majr. Wm. P. Anderson, Mr. Jno. Hutchings, Mr. Patton Anderson & John Verell. who are equally to devide the sum of Four Thousand Dollars &c agreeable to terms of the said Race.—

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also the same parties in the Race between Captn. Pryor & Mr. Geo. Bell; between the McKinney Roan & the Spanish horse. of 500. Dolls. and in the same proportion.—

& The race on the Black or Brown Mare of the sum of one thousd. Dollars: the same parties; equally to devide 600. Dolls. & if the sum of 300. Dolls should be thrown in by the maker of the Race. the maker & the abovesd. six persons are to equally devide the One Thousand Dolls.—

All expences of the sd. Races are to be equally devided between the said parties. In testimony whereof they have hereunto set their hands this 30th. day of December 1805.

Andrew Jackson —

Saml. Pryor

Patton Anderson

Jno. Verell

Mem.o of Proportion of Races &c. and Persons concerned

Genl Andrew Jackson

Sir

10th Jany 1806

Last evening was shewn me by Mr Thomas Swann a letter from you in Answer to a letter he had written you, respecting a conversation that took place between you & myself at Mr Winn's tavern, (most of which was in the presence of Mr Samuel Jackson & Capt Joseph Erwin) on account of Notes of hand exhibited by Capt Erwin & myself to stake on the race Truxton against Ploughboy & those notes that we brought forward to settle the forfeit with — I then informed you of a report Patton Anderson had given publicity to; that a different list was produced when we were about paying the forfeit, from the one that we were to make our stake out of — & that he had it from you which you denied ever sanctioning. I then informed you I had another author, who said he did hear you say that a different list, was brought by Capt Erwin which as soon as I mentioned and before I could give my author, you declared the Author had told a Damned Lye that so far from saying so, you had never intimated such a thing to any one. and immediately asked, who was the Author, to which I answered Mr

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Thomas Swann, you wished Mr Swann
to be called forward; which I declined lest
Mr Swann might think that I wished to
throw the burden off my shoulders on his
and the business then being entirely be-
tween Mr Swann & yourself — Mr Swann
asserting that you had told him that
a different list was produced by Capt
Erwin & you as positively denying it
after the report was circulated by Patton
Anderson; Mr Swann (as he informed me) was
anxious to know if Patton Anderson was
your Herald and further as he had been in-
troduced to Capt Erwin as a Gentleman, he
was desirous of knowing if any improper
conduct had been attempted and after
he had mentioned the business to you, you
answered concerning the stake & forfeit
as stated above. Your letter is so replete
with equivocation that it is impossible
for me to understand you; but in one
part of your letter you say "had you not
known that the statement of Mr D was not
correct" which is ~~contradicting~~ denying, that you
contradicted what Mr Swann had asserted.
Should that be your meaning, I can
prove it not only by the assertions but
oaths of Mr Saml Jackson & Capt Erwin
whom I shall have sworn that the

world may know who can ~~[illegible]~~
prove himself the Gentleman & man
of truth. Why should you have wished to have
Mr Swann called, had you ~~had~~ have
not denied what he had asserted? and do you
pretend to call a Man a tale bearer for
telling that which is and can be proven
to be the truth. Mr Swann after he un-
derstood an interview was to take place betw-
you & myself, Gave me liberty to make
use of his name and on our meeting
which was a few days after, he asked
me if I had made use of his name &
what you had said, an impartial state-
ment of which I detailed to him. As
the word Coward, I think it as appli-
cable to yourself as any one I know
and I shall be very glad when an op-
portunity serves to know in what
manner you give your Anodines
and hope you will take in pay-
ment one of my most moderate
Catharticks. Yours at Command

Charles Dickinson

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Charles Dickinson [illegible]

C Dickerson lette[r]
Recd from the han[d]
of Captain Lee, 24th
January Nashville

Genl Andrew Jackson

Genl. Andrew Jackson

Sir,

I called at your house and Mrs. Jackson informed me that your return was uncertain, therefore I hope you will return on what I request it of you to lette me know when you do return.

Yrs. Respectfully

C. A. McNairy

Jany. 17th 1806

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Genl Andrew Jackson

Recd

known

... all men by these presents that I John Verell of the County of
...ddie & State of Virginia: for and in Consideration of the Sum of Eight
... Dollars; the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge; have bar=
... sold unto General Andrew Jackson of the State of Tennessee
and ... Davidson ... and his heirs & assigns; one negro
man Slave by the name of Dinwiddie; To have and to hold the
said Slave hereby conveyed to the said Jackson his heirs & assigns.—
and I the said John Verell, do for my self, my heirs Executors &
administrators, covenant & agree with the said General Andrew
Jac... his heirs, Executors, administrators & assigns; that I will
...warrant & defend the Title of the said Slave, hereby con=
... against the Claim or Claims of any person or persons what=
... In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and af=
... my seal this 29th day of January 1806.

Jno. Verell. (Seal)

...ed & acknowledged }
...esence of ... }

... Pryor

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Verell
to
Jackson } Bill of Sale

Nashville Febuary 1st 1806

Sir if I have wandered in money maner from the true line of Friendship will you pass it over as an Error of one who wishes you well from the bottom of my hart. and beleave it my duty to render all service in my power. to my Country and Friends. I cannot fail in my conjectors that you are in dispotion equal or more the friend of the Human Race. than my self. and when I view your superier capacity I see there is no comparison who is and may be most youseful in Society this with other reasons compell me to drop you these incorect serails hoping you will reflect on there contents and not suffer pation to git the upper hand of your good sence. and displese your friends to gratify your Enimys if any you have. disagreable as the subject is. I must tell you that this day I have seen a publication in Eastons paper sined Thos Swan. the sight of this may Euritate you so as in heat of pation, to do an act. that Society may be diprived of a youseful member. and on reflection I am sertain your good sene will dictate to you that no honer can be attatched either to the conqueror or conquorer. and sartainly the consequences ought to be taken in view. should you fell your talleants are lost to your County. besides the irreperable loss your famuley ~~and friends must sustain~~ and on the other hand, were you to reskue your life and in defening it. take the life of your fellow mortal. might this not make you miserable so long as you lived. instance Colo Burr. I supose if dueling could be justifiable. it must have bin in his case. and it is beleaved he has not had ease in mind sine the fatal hour. he killed Hamelton will you pardon me my friend when I tell you that I have bin longer in the world than you have and ought to have heard the opinions of people more that you have. and do heare the fals honer of dueling

thedcenled by most of thinking persons and I assure you that your friends do think a man of your Standing ought to say but littel a bout dueling and all I have spoken with think you ought to take no notice of the piece a bove mentioned. young hot heared persons to be in the fashon of the present age may think it killing there fellow creater, and do not reflect that they are doing an act that will not be in there power to restore. I think you must have observed that persons killed in duels is seldom lamented and if ever so many good traits are named in there Charecters it will be added at last. that they were imprudent. and I cannot find where aney honer is attached to dueling. if I had aney doubt of being in your friendship I should not have taken the liberty to trouble you with sentiments on this subject. but as I have from the Earleys acquaintance bin attached to you and the long acquaintance and friendship I have formed with the Familey you are conect ed with makes it my duty to give you my opini on I should have said advice if I had bin Caperble of giving you such. and sir should I be so fortinate as to gain a reflecting thought from you on my hasty and Complycated Centiments it will give grate conseilation that I have had the attention of so perticular friend, or if your bravery was in the smallest manner doubted I should not have you to ... once, for all let me tell you. that you will have more than ten to one which will applaud your prudance in avoyeding a duel - your acquaintances think your station is such, that if you were to get into a duel I assure you it is my opinion you would have a full sheare of the blame attached to your self. I readily agree. that in former days I might have suffered my pastion to have over ruled prudance and ... might have taken the life of my fellow mortal, but sure I am that I never after should have one pleasant moment but on reflection of the case

and in open viletion to the laws of my contry I have of late vewed Duelling with abhorance. Sir I feare I have allready tresposed on your patiance and conclude with my best wishes for your helth and suckess while

I am your most Humb Servt

L. Robertson

Genl. Jackson

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1866
Jas. Robertson

Major Genl
Andrew Jackson

Dear Sir

I this Moment Start for Kentuckey shall Return by the Way of Holston shall not Return Untill July I send my mares this Week for God Sake have them got with fole and Keep them in as good Order as I send them, and I will settle for the same I wish you to enter a Colt for me he is a Sorrel got by Bumpard and Came Out of a Mare Known by the Name of the poor Sorrel her Blud Not Known the Colt folded Mr Stephen White and is his property it is a horse Colt is One year Old next Month all Well hope you and yours is so

yours &c

Mark Mitchell

May 19th 1800

Genl A Jackson

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Genl Andrew Jackson

W. N. Harris

[redacted]

This agreement made and entered into this 19th Augt. 1806. Between Cage & Black of the one part & Andrew Jackson & Jas. S Rawlings of the other part witnesseth, that the said Cage & Black hereby, on their part, agree to rent to the said Andrew Jackson & Jas. S Rawlings the house and lot on which Edmund Crutcher now lives in the town of Gallatin, and also the lot adjoining John Pankey on the east, together with the Stable which stands on the lot last mentioned for the term of five years next ensuing after the first day of September next; and the said Andrew Jackson and Jas. S Rawlings on their part engage to pay to Cage & Black the sum of three hundred and thirty three dollars, thirty three and a third cents for every of the above mentioned five years, in annual instalments; one installment becoming due at the end of each year. It is understood that the said Andrew Jackson & Jas. S Rawlings, have the privilege of giving up the property aforesaid at any time after the expiration of twelve months, by giving four months previous notice of their intention so to do, & paying the amount of what may be due for the rent at the time of giving it up. and as the roof of the Stable is considerably out of repair Andrew Jackson & Jas. S Rawlings agree to repair it in the strongest & cheapest manner, for which an allowance is to be made them out of the first years rent

Witness our hands & seals the day & date above written

Cage & Black (seal)

Jas. S Rawlings (seal)

Andrew Jackson (seal)

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Jo Shelby

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A Sketch of

[illegible]

Pelican

Capt. [illegible] &c

[illegible] Jackson [illegible]

Logan County Ky
1806

Dear Sir

I beg leave to solicit your friendship and advice in the following case - I have purchased 10,000 of land in your state lying between Holsten & Tennessee in Blount county surveyed upon a number of different warrants &c & patented to Stokely Donaldson by whom it was deeded to Jonas Edwards & Saml Caldwell of whom I purchased - my object in purchasing was to remove the claims and lay them upon some other unappropriated land, which I am told your legislature have authorised - but I am just starting to the Genl Court & cannot personally attend to the business till my return I wish your advice what to do and in the mean time if any thing can be done without my personal attendance such as entering with the commissioners of E. Tennessee for investigation &c will you have the goodness to write to some friend of yours to do it for me - I will make any compensation

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that may be required not being able to attend to the business at present personally & being totally ignorant on the subject of it I am apprehen:sive of danger from any delay as soon as I return from Frankfort I shall set out for Knoxville if it is necessary and if so I shall do myself the pleasure of personally soliciting your advice at your own house but I should nevertheless be highly obliged to you if you would write to me and can:didly let me know whether I have any object worth pursuing by my bargain I have requested Doctor Catlett to call on you and shew you the papers – I dread the trip to Knoxville in cold weather and if it is not necessary I would not wish to make it

I am Sir with sentiments of the highest respect Yr friend & Obedt Servt

N Edwards

Collina
28th Novr 1806

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Russellville Ky
4 Decr

Paid 10

Genl Andrew Jackson
Nashville
Tennessee

Mail 3

Gov Edwards

Messrs. Baggs and Davidson

Gentlemen

your letter addressed to the firm of A. Jackson Watson & Co of date 31st. October is come to hand and now before me — in which there is refference to your letter to Jackson & Hutchings of 19th. July 1805 enclosing your acct current against Jackson & Hutchings in which you state a ballance due from the firm of A. Jackson Watson and Co, of $799.10 — It is truly strange that When you were advised that Jackson & Hutchings were to pay that debt, (when that debt was [illegible] paid) in the first instance being the oldest. When our instructions and mine in perticular to Mr. Shane that the proceeds of the cotton ship'd should be applied to that debt, that the proceeds should be applied, first to the credit of Jackson & Hutchings, and a ballance acct of the oldest debt — were you opposed that we were not able to pay our debts and on that account you would call upon Mr. Watson for a debt that was absolutely paid, and applied to another debt without directions — But to end all contest on this subject it is sufficient for me to say that Jackson & Hutchings do owe you

a balance but that A. Jackson Watson
and Co does not owe you a cent, and that
Jackson & Hutchings will pay the balance
or secure it to be paid on sale of our
cotton the moment you send on our
Notes to any Gentleman in Nashville
So soon as we make an examination
of the Debits & credits with your house — or
with your agent herein to prevent any
similar acts, that were attempted to you
by Messrs Richard & Co. Viz we were desire-
-d to pay in New Orleans, when we were
in the act of paying agreable to directions
there, Mr Watson was called upon in
Philadelphia, at the time when we held the
receipt of their agent for $1500, and at
a time ~~when A. J. & Co. Watson &~~
~~Co fully paid the debt, in other words~~
when Jackson & Hutchings had fully
paid that debt — It becomes therefore necessary
that when payments are made, credit
ought to be endorsed on the Note — and
the payor will be secure that the payment
will be properly applied agreable to the
intention — I have therefore to request
that you will immediately forward
our Notes, on the receipt of which the
balance due by Jackson & Hutchings
which I believe (if no error in interest or
exchange) will be as stated by you $779/10 —

which shall be either immediately paid or
secured to be paid on the sale of our cotton
I hope this you will do, as I wish to close
all my debts this Spring, and retire from
business– Note that your Books & ours
nearly agree only in this. that A Jackson
Watson & Co. acctt appears paid in full
and a ballance due from Jackson &
Hutchings, nearly as stated by you–
This is easily accounted for we entered
the credits as directed to be applied, ~~and when~~ and as
~~the credits as directed to be applied to the account to yours began to the credit ought to be applied~~
~~as directed~~ — you on the other hand have entered the payments made
to the debt of A. Jackson & Co. to that of
Jackson & Hutchings–
We expect to sell our cotton at
home this season will be glad our
notes can be here against the fifteenth
of January — that we may finally close
our acctts with your house
I am Genl. your mo
ob servt

Andrew Jackson
for
Jackson & Hutchings

Copy Letter to
Brigl Davidson—
30 Nov. 1846

Joseph Leawell   Lebanon 17th Decr 1808

To Jackson & Hutchings Dr.

18th Novbr 1803 To 7 yds Callico @ 6/- $7"00
yakn typ J. Allcorn

To keeping Horse 11 days 1 12½
                                    $ 8"12½

State of Tennessee
Jackson County This day Came Lemuel Hutchings before me the Subscribing Justice - and maketh oath that the above acct. is Just, as fare as it Stands Stated in his hand Wrighting after all Just credits being given To the best of his knowledge and belief

Decr 19th 1808

Eli Hammond

Lemuel Hutchings

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Jos. Sawrell
Acct. With
Jackson & Hutchings
$ 8.. 1[illegible]

Ac. 5007.

Jan.ry 13th 1807

Sir

I Received yours By Mr. Bradford and was much - Surprised at the contents having as I conceive never given you cause to of produced such a letter nor - I hope never shall no person, as to the buzz that has been Raised by Col.o Burr I suppose you have hearn that there was some suspicions that you knew that Burr intended some thing, which in Conversation I have taken a part and have asserted to, but not that you was knowing to his intending any thing against this government as to my endeavouring to influance the publick opinion against you is certainly Wrong, an expression may be carr[ied] to convey a different Idea from the one intended, as to friendship it has always been my intention to act, particularly towards you, and towards all men, holding my self accountable for my Conduct, with the same liberties of other men, I am yours With respect

Genl. Andrew Jackson — Jas. Sanders

Genl. Andrew Jackson

by Mr. Bradford

Davidson County

Letter from James Sanders
to Genl. Jackson.
Sanders was Major of J. Donelson's
Step father

Nashville February 11th 1807

Dear Genl

I hasten to announce to you, the pleasing information, that Col.o A. Burr on the 16th ultmo surrendered himself, to the civil autho-rity at Washington five mile from Notchey, that on the second instant his trial was to commence he is now under an investigation, ordained by our constitution, to protect innocence and punish guilt — Wilkingson is summonsed as a witness against him — says a letter to me of the 26th ulto and adds "but it is thought he will not attend" the publick will soon know, whether the confidence of the government in Wilkingson is well placed or not — the inclosed paper will give you a full detail of the conduct and surrender of Burr his force &c — Tranquility is now restored in Notchey — but in Orleans, report states there is nothing but distrust, disquietude, and commotion a serious quarrel has arisen between Gov.r Claebourne and Wilkingson — it is stated, that this dispute took place in the court house & that the Gov.r stopt him in the face — the last part of this is not well authenticated, but that they have had a violent dispute I believe is true as it comes from Mr Deadrick of Nashville who was in Orleans at the time —

It is reported in every letter from the City that Genl Wilkingson stands high in the confidence of the executive — tis apparent; that that confidence is not well placed — the western people since the investigation of the Spanish association in Kentuckey — all in one voice deprecate

&

the man & view him as a Spanish hireling — an
in a few days, the Reverend Thos B. Craighead's
deposition will be taken — he will positively
prove that Wilkinson, the last time he re-
-turned from Neworleans, say in 1790 or 1791-
wore suspended from his neck a Major's
commission which he said himself was
given him by the then Spanish Governor
add this to the other prooffs, and what ideas
will the bring to the mind — view his Robert
-spierean conduct in Neworleans — denouncing
Bollman as a traitor — and snatching him
from the Jaws of the civil authority the
only power competent to punish — and
at a time that 48 hours could have proved
his guilt, and suspended him in the streets
of Neworleans as a fit example for the
moment — This stride of military despotism
it is expected will be duly noticed by the legis-
lature of the union — should it not, it will
have effects injurious to our government
and will destroy that confidence that ~~exist~~
at present exists in the administration —
What, a military character trample under
foot all civil authority when no insurrection
or impediment existed to the due execution
of the law — and this pass unnoticed under
a republican administration — This is
not be beleived, but if it should happen, it will
have a banefull effect — and you may
rest assured, that the western people ~~of~~

have no confidence in Wilkinson —
I am Sir yours with Esteem

Andrew Jackson

15 Feby 1807

General Jackson

Sir

when [illegible] Mr Hutch[illegible]

I intended to meet you at

Nashville tomorrow but

find it will not be [illegible]

[illegible] respecting the fifty

dollars in dispute I will say I

did not loose [illegible] one hundred

with you at the races and

I will not pay any more to

any [illegible] gaming debts

I can say with truth that

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would nothing pay the sum
in question but I knew I did not
[illegible] it, and for your satisfaction
[illegible] the bets you mentioned
I bet you a suit of Clothes
[illegible] time I made the [illegible]
[illegible] we met at [illegible] we
bet another suit on the [illegible]
I have bet you a suit I would
distance the mare [illegible]
[illegible] to you then proposed if I
would bet you two suits to one
you would bet me that the
mare [illegible] whether I [illegible]

these [illegible]
with y[illegible]
any [illegible]
it to [illegible]
promi[illegible]
of you[illegible]
deny [illegible]
you of [illegible]
day of [illegible]
settlem[illegible]
[illegible]
this [illegible]
J.

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...y Clothes
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...ts to one
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...tle Jackt

these are the only bets I made
with you and I will not pay
any more,
it to Mr C
promising
of yours ano
I deny it,
you of what
day of Oct
settlement in
Chilorsp respecting the bets
this I have not don nor will
I.

yours
Saml Jackson

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Saml. Packer

Sir General, Vincennes, I. T. Feby 21st 1807

Having been appointed by the Board of Trustees here, (who are incorporated for the purpose of erecting a University at this place) one of the Managers, to raise a sum of Money by Lottery in aid of other Funds, of which the institution is possessed; permit me to solicit your assistance in disposing of some Lottery Tickets in Nashville and other places in Tennessee where you may think they can be disposed of. Capt Coffee who was here a short time since, has promised us his assistance, but not having any made out at the time, we could not avail ourselves of the Opportunity of sending them by him. Mr. Wm Lones will now take them along, and promises every assistance in his power. As the Money for which the Tickets will sell, will not be wanting until the Lottery is drawn, we have adopted the plan of disposing of them to Companies who purchase up as many as they chuse, and who give their Obligations to pay the Money when called on, ~~which~~ which will not be until the Lottery is drawn. If Sir, you can interest some of your Friends to come into this Measure there will be no necessity of their advancing any Money, and ultimately probably none will be up at, as the Prizes if any are drawn by them will be in their hands, and they may only be answerable to the Managers for the discount on them. At any event it will be a considerable accom-

=odation

to the purchasers inasmuch as the Money will lie in their hands until wanted by us to pay the Prizes which will be drawn. I have sent on by Mr Jones 700 Tickets numbered from three thou-sand to three thousand six hundred and ninety nine. Mr Jones has passed his Receipt to us for them, and whatever number he puts into your hands, you will be pleased to receipt for, and trans-mit it on by post to Governor Harrison or my-self. The reason why we are thus particular is that we may have the Vouchers to produce to the Board when-ever the business is brought to a close. We have deposited a Number of Tickets in the hands of seve-ral Gentlemen in the State of Kentucky, and have received flattering Assurances from thence that some adopting the plan of forming Companies to purchase them up, to pay the Money when the Lottery is drawn, there remains but little doubt but they will sell fast.

Being the only one of the Managers who has the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with you, they have jointly solicited me to write to you and request your Assistance, which permit me to say I feel confident you will render, when so important an object as the Education of youth will be effec-ted by it, in the Western Country. I have inclosed a Scheme of the Lottery to you by which you will be better able to judge of its Merits. Be pleased to present my Compliments to Mrs Jackson and believe me to be Dear Respectfully

Yours &c

Waller Taylor

P. S.
...
you...
is s...
be s...

P.S. I would thank you to have the Scheme published in a News paper at Nashville, which you can pay for from the sale of Tickets, and if none is sold there is Money in hand, from which you shall be reimbursed. W.T.

Genl Andrew Jackson

Tennessee

Mr W. Jones

March 9 1807

Wee the under Siners do agree to
enter and Start a hors mar or gilden
Ech hors mar or gilding to be three year
old and got by the hocket Gray or
the milemy Rone except Solomon
Clark Spread Egle and Elisha Davis
presadent the Race to be on the first
thursday in april 1808 ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ and Each Subscriber to Enter
as many as he may think fit by pay
ing twenty Dollers to Each hors the
~~[illegible]~~ Race to be one mile and Repete
to be Run at Jonathan Robertson
if the paths is Redy if not at
the Clover bottom to be entered by September next

Elisha Green — 1 Oberon

Jonathan F Robertson 2 Thunder & Ligh[tning]
Solomon Clark ---- 2 Spred Egle & Tarta[r]
Thomas Green 1 Crasy Jane
Elisha Davis ---- 1 President
H Hawson Snr ---- 1 Ticklebritches
Isaac Watkins 1 Queen Sheba

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Entrance & Report

Dear Greenville April 20th 1807

Dear Uncle, Sir, I feel myself at a loss how

to adress you, at this time, feeling a conscious re-
miss in not writing more frequently but as
nothing has occured which might claim your atten-
tion I hope this will be a sufficient apology.
The day is drawing near when I shall feel my-
self once more relieved from my present
embarrised situation, when I shall be at liberty
to act as my friends may advise. when it will
be in my power to remove myself from a coun-
try, which has been [illegible] irksome, by the relieving from
the unsingled and idle situation in which I have
been placed, which from experience, I have
found to be the most intolerable of all living less de-
sirable than the most abject toil; the most
entertaining and improving books, serve only as a tem-
porary relief to the discontent, brought on me by
this almost insufferable condition; in company the
most agreeable, I find myself, absent, and unamused.
I have lately been to Mr A. Greens, where I saw Uncle
Calfray who has given me the History in detail
of my friends since I left home; he mentioned the
settlement of several of my fathers most oncorous
most distressing debts, which would in my fathers
unhappy situations, have been inevitable distruc-
tion, had it not have been from your most frien-
friendly and parental aid, which is ever ready
in impending danger to ward off the [struck out] threatening

blow; from the innocent and unguarded; and for which you deservedly merit the esteem ~~gratitude~~ of every good citizen; I am, as a party relieved ~~[illegible]~~ render, to offer you my unfeigned thanks, and ~~[illegible]~~ ever greatfull services. too inconsiderable ~~[illegible]~~

I have heard of an affray, which took place a few days since between Sam Jackson and yourself, in which you wounded him, happy I am, to hear his life was alone spared, not for his sake, for he is too much of a smiling, too much of a calculating villian to live in a civilized world if he could be misplaced without endangering the life the ~~feelings~~, or property of some worthy member of society; but he is a man not to be avoided and yet not to be born with. May you ever keep at an awfull distance your enemies, when you press the ~~[illegible] of~~ honerable the vertuous, may be your associates ~~[illegible]~~ in mirth and enjoyment, your comforters in adversity.

I have not as yet been to New Orleans, ~~[illegible]~~ seeing no probability of selling my horses here, I deemed it advisable to defer my trip, untill I could recruit them so as to render them salable at that place; but if I can sell them here ~~so as~~ to any advantage I shall not go there this summer your pleasure shall direct me which I hope you will forward on the receipt of this, to [illegible]

Natchez, where I shall be to receive it. I write
you this from Mr Henry Greens, who has
been very friendly to me and wishes me
to [illegible] present his best respects to you and
lady; and I expect it will be handed you
by Dr. Claiborne, who I have not seen, but will
pass this, to day on his return, be pleased
to present my compliments to Aunt Jackson
152-A and all friends, and be assured sir, with
reverence due the well wishes of your ever grate
full and obedient Nephew

S. D. Hays

[illegible] Hays

Granville 20th
April 1807

Way 25

Genl Andrew Jackson
Hond Nashville
Dr Carbourne Tennessee

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18 ... Hutchins

Journal for the road between Natchez and Nashville

By [illegible]

June 20th 18[illegible]

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Mr James McCarroll
can show the corner of
the land on Clerkswell
The said James is a weaver. S
The land has been sold, and
must be redeemed again
Sept &c. —— ——
Mr Shoult is the pur
chaser. on ~~Stones~~ river

Departed from Na[illegible]
the 16th June 1807 fo[r]
Nashville progressed [illegible]
miles to Washington
where I remained all
night — took in my way
to that place Colo [illegible] and
and Judge Lewis to bid
them good by and for
other purposes —

17th Travelled to Greenville
a small but handsome
village situated on Coles [?]
Creek, at the distance

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of 26 mile from the
City of Natchez and 2 from
Washinton.
18th Remained at Greenville
preparing for an early
movement the next morning
19th Left Greenville alone
and travelled to ~~Mr. Al~~
Greens through ~~[illegible]~~ Gibson Port
which is situated on the
Byou Prine 55 miles a-
bove Natchez.
20th Remained at Mr. Green
in wait for my compa

21th Came on my company which was composed of Mr Neew & there was a Mr Brisen travilled to the Grendstone Stone ford, there we parted I went to Mr Calfreys and re mained un till the morning of the 22^{d} when after taking an affec tung fa well I met with my com pany at Mr Smiths about one o'clock of the same day

Smiths is 75 miles from ~~Natchez~~

23rd arrived at Mr Bra neys 76 miles from Gibson port

45 from Smith and
120 from Natchez.
24th arrive at Mr Beams
27 miles from the last be-
fore named place. —
from whence to the first
good water is twelve miles
from thence 3 miles to the
next where we nooned it
on the 25th. — arrive at
Mr Shoults that night, 35 miles
from Mr Beams.
26th Travelled to Mr McCar-
tains 40 miles
27th Lodged in the woods 9
miles from the Pigeon roost
28 arrived at Mr Levi Comp

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Tennessee
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after passing the agency
20 miles and at the distance
of 79 miles from St. McCarter

29th travelled 55 miles and lodged
in the woods, 10 miles this side the
20 mile creek where some indians
live, one of which had been
stabbed the day before, by an
other indian whom I saw
and who had received a wound
in the head
30th lodged in the woods at 35
miles on this side of the
Tennessee.
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Lexington Ky. December 10th 1801

Dear Hays

I received your letter by last Mail, & was overjoyed to hear you was coming to this School, but I would advise you not to come untill the end of this session, which will be in the course of four Months, If you come now you will have to pay for the whole Se=ssion, we have a Months Vacation at the end of the Session & if possible I will come down to Nashville, and we will come up together.

I was surprised to hear that report had reached Nashville, I will state to you the whole affair.

Several days after my arrival at Uncles P. Butlers, Cousin Wm. Scandret and myself was invited to dance in the little Town at the mouth of Ky. Cousin Wm. asked me if I wouldn't go and stay awhile, I told him I would, I took my cane in my hand and went over to Mr. Hardins after sitting awhile he asked me if I wouldn't dance I told him I would with pleasure, he introduced me to a young Widdow, that was sitting close by me, I asked her if she would dance, she said she would and while I was dancing this fellow came up behind me and stuck me with a pin, after the Reel was over, I called him to the Door and asked him

"what he meant by sticking the pin in me, he said that he done it to insult me, I told him he was a damd scoundrell and tomorrow I would see him about it, he got in a hell of a passion and said he could whip a half a dozen of me, and pushed his fist in my face, I snatched my cane out of C.Wm. hand and struck him over the head with it, which loosened the end so that it flew off, the fellow came at me, and when he got within reach of me I mad a lunge at him and stabed him in the Shoulder, that wouldn't do him, but he came at me again I made another dash at him and stabed him in the side, he hollowed out he was stabed, they took him into the house and sent for a doctor to examine his wounds, C.Wm. said he was tired dancing, I told him I was satisfyed and so we went home.

I am told since the fellow was courting the Widdow and I suppose my dancing with her was the reason he stuck the pin in me, his Father says he richly deserved it, but he was glad it was no worse.

Please give my compliments to your Father and family, and receive the friendship of

your friend &c.

Wm. E. Butler.

P.S. I am very much pleased with my Classmates, we will get through the first Book of Eucled to marrow, and I am in hopes I will finish Eucled and Virgil this Session.

I have no mor to say only you will not shew this letter to any person and oblg. yours &c.

William Butler

Mr. S. D. Hays

Tennessee

Mr. Stockley D. Hays

Nashville

Tennessee

politeness

Mr. H. Wright

Some days since, Mr James Neilly, and myself was at Major Harneys in Haysborough, we were asked by the Mayor, if we had heard the news, we answered no ~~what~~ and asked what it was why by god said the Majr its reported that Rachel Hays has had a child, I observed to the Majr recollect yourself ~~[illegible]~~ Sir This news shall be mentioned to the family he said he wished it, and that he did not know wheather the author would answer, I asked him who it was, he observed that a waggoner that hauled Joel Childress's ~~property~~ property to near the foxes Camp, had seen little Andrew Hudson, near old Mr Hudsons, and that said, wag=goner asked Andrew Hudson if knew Rachel Hays, he was answered yes, well said the waggoner, she has a fine son, - said Harney also mentiond that he had the same news from Mat Walker, and that it was publickly talked of - said H - observed he was anxious to write to Colo Hays on the Subject, and wished the family to know it

the foregoing is in substance correct

Rob. Kerr

Feby 15th 1808

Genl. A Jackson   Nashville March 10th. 1808

Sir

This day I seen Major Robertson, he says his colt run the mile in 2 m 4s that he came out very slow & from what he says, is not able to run more than half a mile under whip without sinking. Pryor has taken the bet of the Roots off Robertsons hands, It apears they feel very confident of wining also apear to know very well how ~~the~~ soon come out - I expect It will be a hard race, tho Robertson thinks Watkins is d[illegible] will come out next to his Horse - James will deliver you the Letters & Papers also the rope & Linen - I could not get a Boy this day to go for the colt but expect to send for him tomorrow —

yours &c &c

James Jackson

1 Coil Rope 70lb - 16 cents		$11:20
45 yards Linen	2/3	16:87½
1 Bundle Twine 1lb 2oz	3/9	70
		$28:77½

I would have sent the goblets but find the price to be $6 a Price instead of 6 $ a pair

J. J

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[redacted]

[redacted]

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10th

March [illegible] 180[illegible]

Mr Saml Jackson

Sir Having lately heard a scandalous report, relative to Mr [illegible] that has originated from [illegible] and depraved [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] her [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] (and [illegible]) [illegible]

A. Jackson

to

S. Jackson

Copy

March 10th 1808

This is to Certify. that by request the following
is a Correct Statement — On the 15th day of
February last, in the Town of Nashville, I
was addressed by George Blackmore, in
the following words — have you head
the news, — I asked him what news, he re-
plied about Miss Rachel Hays. having a
Child, I observed I did not believe, the report. —
to which replyed; it Certainly was fact.
that, Blackmore Davis, was his infor-
-mant, and that, he Davis had told him
Blackmore, that, he, had. Saw. Miss
Hays, with her Child in her arms, and
about Suckling it, — the above is in Substance
as near as I can recollect, — though many
more words, to the Same effect Given
under my hand — this 12th day March 1808

C. Boyd

Washington 20th March 1808

Dear Sir,

I received your friendly note the morning I left Haysborough for this place but had not time to answer it until I arrived here which was 1st February after a journey of twenty one days, and I think I may with propriety say I never experienced a more disagreeable 21 days within my recollection.

The book or books you enquire for I know nothing of, except the 2nd Vol of Peter Pindar, which has Dr. Mays name wrote in it, and which I believe my brother borrowed from Mr. Butler; it was at my fathers when I left Haysborough, and I directed my brother Robert to let you know it as soon as he could, which I suppose he has done ere this; if he has not you had better apply for it.

I have to beg your pardon for not taking (perhaps) my final adieu, and likewise those acquaintances whom I had the pleasure of seeing at Sportsmans Hall, previous to my leaving Tennessee which I fully intended but had not time, (not knowing when at S. Hall what time I should "be off"). You request that a correspondence may be kept up between us, which I assure you I will promote with all my might & strength and hope you will forward it "by answering" immediately on the receipt of this.

I am not vain enough to think

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you will derive the least information and very little
pleasure from it, but at the same time I'm selfish
enough, to trouble you with a correspondence, when I
have nothing to lose and all to gain—

I like this country much better than
I expected I should from information, both for
society and the situation of the country in general
I have been to several balls since I arrived here, and must
acknowledge, they are superior to those of Tennessee
far, pomp and extravagance but (by no comparison) equal
in agreeableness (that is to my taste)— I would not
give the pleasure I enjoyed at Sportsman's Hall, was it
to be again, for all the balls since I have been
here (amounting to five in number). Do write me who is
married, who is engaged, who is courted, and who [illegible] ta-
king— You can't, like me want a subject [illegible]
an epistle. Give my compliments to your father's
family; also to my acquaintances who were at
Clover Bottom a few days before I left Tennessee,
(if they should inquire for me), both Female and Male
and accept my sincere wishes for your prosperity and
happiness. I am your sincere friend

Stockly D. Hays

Benj. F. Harney

P.S. I have just now heard that there is a race on hand
between Genl Jackson & Mr. Bell, (the sum $2.000)
Pedong [?] N.S. Spotter, & also that Mr. Bell owns both of the
horses. I should think he (Mr. Bell) would not keep two horses, about which
there has been so much dispute without trying them and
many [?] know. however you have my sincere wish for success.

S. D. Hays

Yours sincerely B. F. Harney

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Mr Stockley D. Hays

Nashville

Tennessee

Dr Claiborne

To all who shall see these presents— Know ye that
I George Blackamore of the county of Davidson
having aided and abetted, in circulating and pub-
=lishing, a false wicked and malicious report relating
to Mrs. Rachel Hays; tending to impeach her
chastity; in order to do Justice to females inno-
=cence, restore to Mrs. Rachel, that unsullied repu-
=tation that she has always supported, and from
her uniform uprightness of conduct is entitled
to support— and to counteract, the effects of
the groundless, wicked and malicious, insinuation
of her being unchaste, and having a little one
Do by these presents make this declaration
publick, and sign the same with my
signature this 22d day of March 1808—

Test Andrew Jackson— George Blakemore

George Blackmore
Certificate
relating to the
Report circulated
relative to Mr R.
Hays

Know all men by these presents that I Shadrach Nye of the County of Sumner do hereby certify that some time ago I heard a report tending to the infamy of the virtue of Miss Rachel Hays, which with regret I was unfortunate enough to again make mention of, which I sincerely regret as I ever entertained the highest regard both for the young lady and her respectable Relations; I have since been informed that the report was false and unfounded which affords me infinite pleasure and satisfaction — Given under my hand the 22nd of March 1808.

Shadrach Nye

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To all whom Shall see these presents greeting –

Know ye, that I Benjamin Rawlings, Doctor,
of the County of Sumner, have aided and abetted, in circulating
and publishing a false wicked and malicious report –
of and respecting Miss Rachel Hays, Tending to impeach
her chastity, and unjustly to injure her reputation
and thereby to detract from her well earned reputation, that
She has acquired, by her uniform conduct thro life –
always ~~strictly~~ pursuing the paths of Virtue chastity &
the strict rules of propriety ~~thro life~~ – & therefore to
repair the injury to do Justice to the innocence and
Virtue of the said Miss Rachel Hays; and to counter=
=act, the said false, wicked malicious ~~and~~ and unfounded
report, and shew my sorrow and regret, in being instru=
=mental, in circulating Such falshoods, to the injury
of female Virtue and innocence, do by these presents
make this declaration publick and sign the same
with my signature this 22d day of March 1808 –

Test
Thos Stuart

Benj Rawlings

Know all men by these presents that I Robert Williamson of Sumner County do hereby certify that some time ago I raised a report tending to the injury of the virtue of Miss Rachel Hays, which idle & malicious report I was unfortunate enough to again make mention of which I sincerely regret as I ever entertained the highest regard both for the young lady and her respectable relations I have since been informed that the report was false and ill founded which affords me infinite pleasure and satisfaction Given under my hand this 22nd March 1808.

Robert Williamson

Know all men by these presents that I Robert Williamson of Sumner County do hereby certify that some time ago I raised a report tending to the injury of the virtue of Miss Rachel Hays which ~~idle~~ a malicious report I was unfortunate enough to again make mention of which I sincerely regret as I ever entertained the highest regard both for the young lady and her respectable relations I have since been informed that the report was false and ill founded which affords me infinite pleasure and satisfaction Given under my hand this 22d March 1808

Robert Williamson

Doctor B. Bentley
Castalian Springs

3 Springs April 26th 1808.

Dear Sir) I have Recd. an Order from Majr. General Andrew Jackson in which I recd. information that the Creek Indians in considerable force is incamped on the South bank of Tennessee River, amounting to about 440 that on the 3rd Instant they attacked Colberts Boat Killed Two Men & Wounded three one of which is since Dead, that on the 5th Instant Three families about four Miles below the Mouth of Duck River on the Tennessee were all Murdered one family of 9. one of 7 and one of five; It is therefore Necessary to prepare for the worst, and by way of precaution=ary Measures; You will without delay (as I have confidentially appointed you for that purpose) Repair to the place and by all Means in your power Ascertain the Strength & position of those Marauding Creeks and trans=mit the same to me as soon as practicable.

In performing the duty Assigned you, you will imploy Chickasaws who is our Allies to Visit them, or such other Means as you in your Judgement shall think best to insure the desired Object — You will also Ascertain & describe to me as far as practicable (to be done in so short a time) the situation of the frontiers in that quarter; what force would be Necessary for their Defence when acting only on the Defensive: What force would be Necessary for removing that Banditti from their position, provided they Continue to be Hostile, you will please also to enquire & Ascertain if possible, where those Depradations was Committed whether it was within the bounds to which the Indian Claims has been Extinguished or not: —

That I may have it in my power to give a Statement of ~~Facts~~ to the proper Authority, Relying on your Judgment & Military Skill, I with Confidence expect a Statement of facts, as far as its practi-=cable to Obtain them, which will be Satisfactory

Receive Sir Assurance of my Esteem

Thos Johnson B.G.
Sixth Brigade

Capt. Thos Swann Commanding the Troop of Volunteer Cavalry in Robertson County

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Captain

Thomas Swann

Springfield

Memorandum of an agreement made and entered into the
day of July Eighteen hundred and eight —
Between Robert Hayse of the one part and James Terrell
of the other part ~~[illegible]~~ both of the County of Davison
and Commonwealth of Tennessee (Witnesseth) whereas
he the said Robert Hayse doth covenanted and agreed
to Leas unto him the said Terrell All his possessions in
the Town of Haysborough for the Term of Seven Years for
The sum of Fifty dollars per Year to be paid annually
the property Consisting of the dwelling house that him the
said Hayse Bought from Purdy wherein John Shelton
now lives with all the other Houses Attached to said
Dwelling House with the Garden and all the other lots
belonging to said Hayse (to wit) One or two Adjoing the Garden
No one fronting said house on the South side of the street
No one whereon the upper Tan house now stands
No One Lying between said Dwelling house and the house
Linson Harris formerly lived in posts & Railed in No
Also a small Field of two Acres Lying on the Road Leading
from Haysborough to Hayse's old Ferry on Cumberland
River all of said property I bind myself to give said Terrell
possession On first day of Septr next for the Term mentioned above
and he the said Terrell doth on his part Covenant and
agree to put Glass in all the windows in the upper Rooms of
said house and to seal one Room of said house as the others
is sealed to put a stone chimney to the upper end of said
house and put a two story portico in Front of said house
the full length of the house and make a Bar Room in
one end of the lower portico and a small lodging room in
each end of the upper portico to build a small family
Room Between the house and Kitchen with a stone chimney &c
to build a stable Adjoining the the stable on the premises with
a 12 or 15 foot passage to make a Horse shade with a saddle
Room in one end of said Hayse shade to cover the Kitchen and smo
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ke house and stable and corn House all new and to repair

[illegible] the Fences and make new the fences around said lot as may be Necessary and he the said Robert Hayse doth agree to pay the said Ferrell for all the above named improvements and any other small improvement that may be nessy on said premises agreeable to the Judgment or Valueation of two Disinterested men and said improvement or Valueation there of to be taken out of the first Rents of said Premises and after he the said Ferrell has had the possession so long as to pay for the work done then he the said Ferrell obliges himself to pay said Hayse fifty dollars annually during the said Term of seven Year and at the expiration of seven Years he the said Ferrell obliges himself to deliver up all said property in Good order the natural wear and Tear excepted — Witness our hands and Seals the day above written

Witness

(Seal)

James Ferrell (Seal)

N.B. If John Shelton will take the house and lots at the above price he the said Ferrell obliges himself to give up all claim to it. Also if said Shelton should not be ready to move by the first day of ~~[illegible]~~ September he the said Ferrell will pay the rent of ~~said~~ a house one [illegible]

James Ferrell

Hayse vs Ferrell
Agreement

~~On~~ the Fences and in order the fences around Said lot as may be Nessesary — and he the Said Robert Hayse doth agree to pay the Said Terrell for all the above named improvements and any other Small improvement that may be Nessy on Said premises agreeable to the Judgment or Valuation of two Disinterested men and Said improvement or Valuation there of to be Taken out of the first Rents of Sd Premises and after he the Said Terrell has had the possession So long as to pay for the work done then he the Said Terrell obleges himself to pay Said Hayse fifty dollars annually during the Said Term of Seven Years and at the expiration of Seven Years he the Said Terrell obleges himself to deliver up all Said property in Good order the natural wear & Tear excepted — Witness our hands & Seals the day above written

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(Seal)

James Terrell (Seal)

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James Terrell

Hayse & Terrell
Agreement

Dear General

I have resolved to do business in Nashville regularly — my removal will depend on circumstances which I shall detail to you when we meet. I shall certainly be at your court in ~~October~~ Novr. perhaps at the county court in Octor. Will you be so good as to stick to the printer and get him to insert the followg.

"Joseph Hamilton Daveiss attorney at law will Regularly attend the county courts and superior courts at Nashville. 28. Sep 1808

I am General very respectfully
Yours
J. H. Daveiss

Cornland 28. Sep 1808

Gen A Jackson

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KENTUCKY

Genl. Andrew Jackson

Nashville

J. H. Daviess 1806
Letter

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Wednesday Oct 1809

Sir

I have understood you have your horse Truxton home, and have consequently sent up the Old mare I talked of a season for, and her filly also. If I rightly understood you, you said I might send up a couple of mares, for what falls between us, and that you would take pains with the old mare Now if this is a right understanding, let the horse to them & give orders when to send them back, & when I send them again I will send some corn to feed the old mare if you can keep her till she is infolded if that should not be too long. It is on these circumstances alone I send the old mare or any, as I conceive it but a dull chance even with care which I think shall not be wanting. She apears hearty & I know in season

I am Sir Your Obt
Servt Ephh. W. Davidson

Gen Andw Jackson

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E. Davidson

E. Davidson
Letter with
resentment to
part there Wares
to Amston

Genl Andw Jackson
Davidson County

Genl. Andrew Jackson

Sir. Springfield May 26. 1809

Inclosed I send you a copy of Brigadier Genl. Thomas Johnson's order order to me bearing [illegible] 28th [illegible] 1808: in pursuance of which a secret expedition was performed on the Western frontier, to ascertain the strength, position &c of a hostile party of Savages then reported to be stationed on the North bank of the Tennessee: Of the discoveries made in that Tour I have before informed you, by a report dated 9th May 1808: which I presume un-necessary for me to subjoin, as a certificate from you to the Secretary at War stating that the services as [illegible] in my [illegible] were performed will be sufficient: — It will also be needless to state the perils, hardships and fatigues encountered and endured in the execution of the Trust then confided in me. But I think I may with safety affirm that the result of my Mission was a saving to the UStates of several thousand Dollars, the Militia who were then stationed at the mouth of Panther Creek being discharged in consequence of my letter to Lieut. Col. Thomas Clinton, dated Duck River May 5th 1808. which is contained in my report — To conclude, the amount ac. against the UStates is in my opinion extremely moderate, at least the Items for monies actually expended and services performed is far less objectionable

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than Jimmy Wilkinson's a/c for Sugars &c &c &c.
Confiding on your Judgment I commit the management of this business entirely to your direction.

And am with Respect
Yo: Mo: ob: Servt
Th. Swann

United States

1808. To Thomas Swann Dr

May 7th	To Expenses incurred on a mission to ascertain the strength, position &c of a hostile party of Creek Indians by order of the Brig. Genl. of 6th Brigade	$ 13
	To Ten days absence from professional duties during ^sessions of the^ the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Davidson Cy @ $10	100
		$ 113

Thos. Swans
letter covering
Genl Johnston
on Capt
Swans acct vs
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Springfield Ten

May 28th

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Majr Genl Andrew Jackson

Davidson County

Hermitage

Fourth Wd. Point 3d June 1810

Dear Sir.

I had this afternoon the pleasure of receiving your favor of the 25th ult. My Light corps had passed this, before I reached it, but not so far, but by express. I was able to have them halted at some distance. Backhas their leader, returned to me, and among other things, I suggested my wish of sending back to you one of the Boys— they are family Negroes, & this impression was, the sale I had made, & the distance, would create great affliction amongst their relations, were either of the Boys left— and when I found that neither of them could ride at less than 100. I gave over the idea. I met, between Nashville & this place, a gentleman who was present at the Charleston races— an excellent judge, & one in whom the utmost confidence can be placed.

He assures me that the sorrel I sold Mr. Bell, was opposed by several who had been winners during the season, & that he ran the first heat two miles, in 3.50— one second quicker than it had been done by gallatin, & that the second he did, or could evidently have placed the four that remained on the wrong side of the distance pole

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In a word, that he was considered, as well by that run, as the ease with which he afterwards beat Peggy, ~~[illegible]~~, to be the best colt that ever started upon that ground –

Had these particulars been as well detailed to me, I would certainly not have taken any such sum for him; sick, & dispirited as I was with the subject. I mention these particulars to yourself alone – for really I think you ought to get hold on this Horse. He will be <u>a shield</u> to you for years, & then remain <u>a standard</u> in your stable – for he is as hardy as a lightwood knot, and is capable of sustaining more work, & tryals, than any colt I ever trained. Be patient, until you can get him wholy into your hands – and if it is your choice to have a partner in him, I would join you myself rather than you should have any other.

I do not think he cost Bell more than $800 for, in conscience, the other two are worth $700 –

Upon a retrospect, I regret your absence, when I called upon you, more than ever! <u>Should</u> you get hold on this Horse, and will be <u>patient</u> and exercise your usual judgment, you may levy upon your competitors any <u>contributions</u> you may chuse. The motive must appologize for the freedom of this letter, to which I beg leave to add my best wishes

W. Hampton

P. S.

I pray you to excuse the paper, & the hurry in which the scrawl is written. I have spent a week here with Col. Purdy, & am preparing to proceed as far as Knoxville tomorrow. You may stipulate for any paper of Bills in my hands, or any discount on it. I am in no hurry to know the fate of the two colts - and recommend them to you. — W. H.

If I can procure you such a rider as describe, I will do so, & send some safe conveyance so soon as possible.

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KNOXVILLE
TEN. JUNE 7.

Double 50

Major General
Andrew Jackson
near
Nashville
Tennessee

Genl. W. H.
Letter
June 3.
1810 -
to be ansd

COPY

8 th. Octr. 1810

Soldiers Rest.

Dear General:

I have received a letter from Mr. Owens of North Carolina, a young Gentleman that I have known ever since he was a small boy. He is very much of a Gentleman & a man of fortune. He wishes to put a mare of his to your horse Truxton. The mare is now in season & wishes her put in the morning. You can have your own price, as he wishes to have Truxtons stock in North Carolina. I send you, Mr. Owens letter to me. I am mending slowly.

Yours sincerely

Thos. Overton.

Maj. Genl. Jackson

At Mr. Lyon's near S.W. Pt.
2d Decr. 1810 -

Dear Sir

On meeting with a gentleman on my way to this place last summer, who was present at the Charleston races, and on whose judgement I placed much reliance. I took an early opportunity of dropping you a line upon the subject of the 5 yr. old Bedford Horse I let Mr. Bell have. I had an exalted opinion of him, to his inches, when I had the pleasure of being at your house, but this gentleman (a Mr. Bynum who is a near relation of mine, & a good judge) raised it still higher, and convinced me that this little [illegible] is nearly in the notch with Gallatin of his age, & superior to either Peggy or Lottery you were wintering.

I supposed the information might be useful at any rate; and indeed I went so far as to recommend that you should get the Horse into your own hands. My *motive*; whatever opinion might have been entertained of the *matter*, has not, I am sure, been mistaken. They were dictated by the purest good will. Having received no reply to this *letter*, which was put into the Post office at S. W. Point, or at Knoxville, I have supposed it may have fallen into improper hands at Nashville.

The Horse, I am told, has been beaten, but that circumstance has had no influence on the opinion I have formed of him, and in the end the justness of that opinion will be acknowledged. If the want of honor, or skill, in his owner, whoever he may be, has yet kept him in the back ground, he must in the end, prove what I have predicted of him.

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I am on my way to the Mississippi, by ~~way~~ the route of the Mouth of Elk — I calculate on dropping down from the Shoals in a Barge, & by letting my Horses follow in a flat Boat. Our friend Col. Purdy will make the best arrangements for me he can, and be my agent in all matters of expense.

My Bay gelding was not well when I left home, and I was obliged to leave him behind, & substitute the mare I sent to Virginia with Peggy, & the little sorrel last fall was a year, and who I firmly believe to be the best runner from 2, to 4 miles within the U. States. She was 5 y. old last spring, by Bedford, out of one of my best imported Mares — she is 15 hands one & an half inches high and much more powerful than any thing I ever saw of Bedford's git. She had two Private runs with the little sorrel, & Peggy, about a mile & an half,

and this is the only tryal which has ever been made of her — For that distance she proved better than either, all equal weight, and the opinion was the further they ran the further she wd. have beaten them — But the gap between her & the better Horse was very small, as you may suppose, — but she ought to outwhip any of the breed. ~~she~~ her dam was gotten by Drone (own son of Herod) who was supposed the hardest bottomed horse in England; her Gd. dam by Snap — ~~Young~~ Mark, &c. —

Could I have seen you I should have left her with you, could you have replaced her with a gelding of the first character & description as to size, form, movement, & fitness for Military purposes — good spirit & an easy racking gait wd. have been indispensable qualities. You might for the time have had the use of the mare for those of the Horse.

I John Williams of the County of Knox and State of Tennessee for and in consideration of the sum of eight hundred and fifty dollars to me in hand paid by Andrew Jackson of the County of Davidson and State aforesaid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold unto the said Andrew Jackson his heirs and assigns three negroes towit one negro man named Peter supposed to be about thirty years old one negro Wench named Rachael supposed to be about twenty six years of age and Rachaels male child about the age of one year — Which negroes I here by warrent to to be sound healthy and sensible — and I further warrant the title to said negroes against me and my heirs and against all and every person or persons whatever — Witness my hand and seal this 15th day of December 1810

Witness

Hugh L White

John Williams (Seal)

John Williams
To
Andw Jackson

1 Bill of Sale

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Know all men by these presents that I Charles
M Hall for and in consideration of the sum of
four hundred and fifty dollars to me in hand
paid by Andrew Jackson, the receipt whereof
I do hereby acknowledge, hath ~~and doth hereby~~
bargained and sold unto the said Andrew Jack-
-son, a certain Negroe boy slave named David
aged about fourteen years, which said negroe
slave I have sold and delivered to the said
Andrew Jackson, and will by these presents
warrant and defend the right and title of
said slave to him the said Andrew Jackson
from the legal claim of all and every person
or persons, whatsoever in witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & seal, this 26th of Nov-
-ember 1811

Chas Hall (Seal)

Test
Jno Coffee

Charles M Hall
to } Bill of
Sale
Andrew Jackson

Major General Andrew Jackson

Sir

Having accepted of an Appointment in the regular army of the United States, It becomes proper that I should resign my commission as Brigadier General of the 4th Brigade of Militia in the State of Tennessee, which I now do and which you will please to accept of accordingly

I have the honor to be
Sir
very respectfully
Your Obt Servant

J. Winchester

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No 5097

Ac. 5007.

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Natchez July 9th 1812

General A. Jackson

Sir

There has been lately put in my hands by a person to whom Col. A. Burr is indebted among other papers an account current apparently in your hand writing and between you and him on which appears a balance due to Col B. of $1726.62½. The person who ~~put~~ these papers in my hands wishes to recover his debt, and has instructed me to write you on the subject. My object now is to hear from you whether the said balance is yet due from you and if not when and how it has been paid.

No person is acquainted with these circumstances except the one who gave me the papers and myself & it would be with reluctance that he would be the cause of their being further made known.

I should be glad to hear from you on the subject of this letter as soon as may suit your convenience.

I am Respectfully

Your Obdt Servt T. Thompson

T. Thompsons
Letter of 3d July
1812 answered

NATCHEZ
JUL 4

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General Andrew Jackson
near Nashville
Tennessee

To Brigadier-General John Coffee.[1]

Nashville, September 15, 1812.

Sir, I recd. your letter of last week and would have answered it, but time would not permit. I have observed its contents, and treasured them, you know I love you, know your merit, and can never forget you.

Nothing is done yet. the Governor[2] and myself cannot agree in the mode of appointing the field Officers. His letters to me from Knoxville come up to my idea of propriety, But at our last interview he appears to have thought on the subject and had altered. But he will d[o] right.

The idea of electing the field Officers by the solderry, never shall take place with my consent. we will shortly be called into the field. we want men capable of command, who will fight and reduce their soldiers to strict subordination.

I wish Polly[3] was safely delivered, and in health, so that I could see you. I have much to say to you. I see from the Enquirer, that he is lashing the Sec. of War.[4] from the fatality that has befallen our western Army, he must and will be removed. The President is addressed in such a way, his election coming on, to save himself he must part with Eustis, or he will die a constitutional death.

We must have a war minister that will draw forth the energies of the Nation, and is capable of diverting the storm, and all is well, otherwise disgrace, and destruction will follow.

Present my love to Polly. Adieu.

Nashville, Dec. 11th 1812.

Sir,

Mr Thos. H. Fletcher, who I had appointed my second aid in the room of Major John Coffee promoted, having given in his resignation, makes it necessary that I should fill that vacancy. Among several characters highly recommended for that office, I have determined to give you that appointment, provided you will accept thereof. — I will thank you to notify whether you accept this place. Should you answer in the affirmative, it will give me much pleasure to announce it in the next general order.

I am, Sir,

with due regard yours respectfully

Andrew Jackson
Major Genl —

John Reid esqr.

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Letter of appointment
to
John Read
Dec. 11, 1812

John Read esquire

Present

Dec. 11, 1812. The letter actually sent is copied in Letter-Book B., p. 20, and printed in Correspondence, I. 246.

Sir

The appointment you have just tendered me, is the most agreeable that could have been offered. I accept it; - I accept it with great pleasure - But I beg that you will recollect, that it has been made to me from your generosity. Nothing short however of such difficulties as I can neither foresee nor controul, shall prevent me from accompanying you. ~~I am~~ I am very little acquainted with the duties of this appointment; & the only assurance I dare venture to give you, is that when you perish we shall perish together.

I am very Respectfully
yr Obt St
John Reid

Genl. Jackson

A Copy - ~~[illegible]~~

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A copy of acceptance as [illegible]

Jan. 5, 1813.

(Cf. Jackson to Reid, Jan. 8, 1813.)

Having been compelled, in order to prepare myself for descending the river, to travel on the three last days, & on yesterday till midnight, I find my health so much affected by the exposure as to put it entirely out of my power to be at Nashville today. As it is probable the troops may leave that place before my health is regained, & it may be important that my place should be supplied before your departure, I feel it a duty to resign into the hands from which I received it the most agreeable & flattering appointment that could have been offered me. I am distressed & mortified at the possible inconvenience to which my want of health may, at this juncture, expose you — but I am not without a hope that you will be able, even in the short space which is allowed you to procure another Aid better qualified to perform the duties of his appointment — Should you be compelled however to leave Nashville with but one Aid it will give me great pleasure to join

you at Clarksville if my health will permit & I can learn from you about what period you will leave that place. In mentioning this however I would not be understood as expressing any wish for the post-ponement of another appointment &c. I cannot guess with any degree of probability when my health will be restored, & as I would not upon any account again be the occasion of inconvenience to you

[illegible] th Decr 1819

Copy of [illegible]

Maj^r General A Jackson

Morning Report of the Tennessee Volunteer Cavelry Commanded by Colonel John Coffee Decr. 28th 1812

Remarks	Colonel	1 Lt. Coln.	2 Lt. Coln.	1 Major	2nd Major	1 adjutant	2nd adjutant	Q. Master	Surgeon	Surg. Mates	Master of Sword	Serj. Majors	Q. M. Sergeants	Captains	1 Lieutenant	2nd Lieutenant	Cornet	Sergeants	Corporals	Trumpeters	Sadlers	Farriers	B Smiths	Privates	Total	Horses fit for Duty	Not fit	Run off	Total
present fit for Duty	1	.	.	1	"	1	:	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	7	8	8	34	36	6	5	5	4	353	480	479	32	4	515
Sick	.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7				
on Furlough	.	1	1	,	1	.	1	.	-	-	-	1	'	8	4	3	3	10	12	5	4	4	3	136	197				
Deserted	.	-	-	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1				
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Total	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	11	11	11	11	44	48	11	9	9	7	497	685				

Basil Shaw 1t adjt.
Volunteers Cavelry

Morning
Report Dec 29
1812

Nashville January 8th 1813

Sir

your of the 5th instant reached me on the eve-
-ing of the 6th the crowd & pressure of business prevented
an answer sooner, and by the hand of Major Murray
you will receive this - I regret exceedingly your in-
-disposition, that prevents you from accompanying
me - I anticipated much benefit from your aid - this
has been severe weather upon the health of all
and by an exposure before your health is res-
-tored, might be fatal, and your talents not only
now lost to me but forever to your country
This to gratify my wishes would be more than
friendship and liberality could ask, & is more
than I will ask, I was fearfull from the state of
your health when you left me, that you would
not be able to proceed with me on the present
campaign - I regret it, but cannot or will
not expect it. - I have only to add, be carefull
of your health, we have just commenced
a war that will take our best talents to end
- save your constitution and your health and
you may yet be a valuable shield to our
countries defence in the field -

I will with my own labours, and the atten-
-tion and industry of Major Haynes endeavour
to perform the duty assigned me, untill I can
from some of the corps choose another, if I can
-not find talents and disposition that I think
will be equal I shall make no appointment
in your room - if I can find such I will make

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Going – I write in a crowd, I have neither
time to coopy or correct – with a tender
of my wishes for a restoration of your health
and happiness through life believe me to be
with sincere respect your mo, ob, servt.

Andrew Jackson
Major Genl

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Major John Reid

Major Murray } Franklin
Williamson County

To Major Wm B. Lewis, A.D.Q. Master

Clarksville January 13th 1813 on Board my Boat

Dr Sir

I reached here this evening after seven oclock, being detained at the mouth of Harpeth one day delivering out the arms, at which place I was obliged to leave ~~three~~ five companies for the want of the Boats that Nesom had engaged to deliver, they are fast ashore about 20 miles up the river says the informant. — I have sent up a detachment under the command of Major Morton after them — and in case he cannot get them down I have left four Boats to bring their baggage ~~[illegible]~~ to Clarksville — with Nesoms Boats, is part of the supplies intended for the detachment under my command whether the deficiency can be supplied here I cannot say, as I have sent Col.o Hall to make the enquiry, and he has not returned — as soon as I get the supplies ordered by the contractor at this place; and for which the officers has due bills and given receipts I shall proceed on, leaving orders for the four companies behind in Boats ~~to~~ to immediately to follow, and those without to press them wherever they can be had, and follow after — The receipts for the arms returned given by Mr Wood, shall be forwarded to you as soon as Col.o Bradley comes up he was left behind this morning to see the arms safely deposited on Board Mr Woods Boat -

amongst the arms are eleven rifles, given up by part
of Capt. Nash's Company, inspected and pronounced un
fit for service — I have to ask the favour of you, to see
these arms deposited safe, oiled, and placed in such a —
place that they will not be injured by the rust — these
men are poor, and altho the guns are not fit for
service still they think them valluable — I have said
they should be taken care of — I wish you as soon as
you are informed that the Boots cannot be had, agreed
for by Newsom, that you have him sued on his
agreement — he had plenty of water to have brought
them down — the failure is insufferable and ought
to be punished — I have caught cold, and has such a
pain in my shoulder and neck, I cannot write
my pen without great pain — I must close
this with presenting you my best wishes

Andrew Jackson
Major Genl

William B. Lewis
A. D. Q. Master —

P.S. I open this letter at 2 oclock P.M. 14th to say to
you we have had the necessity for the want of sup
-plies to delay thus long, and furnish the troops
here with such supplies as we could get from
the contractors agent and from the citizens — I do
not wish you, to fill up the abstracts untill you
are advised that the second regiment is supplied —
I moved with twelve companies in one hour after —

A. D. Q. Master
Nashville

COPY

Feby 8th [1813]

My dear Husband.

Your Letter of the 18th January from the mouth of Cumberland river Came Safe to hand, it was Every thing to me I rejoiced I was happy To heare you war in health it was my nightly prayers to the Almighty God my thoughts forever on the whar er I go whar er I turn my thoughts my fears my doubts Distress me, then a Little my hope revives again. that Keeps me a live was it not for that I must sink I should Die in my present situation. But my blessed redeemer Is making intersesion with the Father for us to meet again restore you to my bosom wher Every vein Every puls beets high For your helth you[r] safety all your wishes Crownd, Do not My beloved Husband let the love of Country fame and honour make you forgit you have me Without you I would think them all empty shadows You will say this is not the Language of a patriot but it is the Language of a faithfull Wife, one I know you Esteem & Love sinceerly, but how many pangs how many heart rendings Sighs has your absence Cost me My time passes heavily not in good health but I hope to see you once more on this globe and after this frail life Ends be with you in happyer Climes wer I shall Experience no more painfull seporation and then I'll be at rest I feel a foretast of the Joys that is to the virtuous souls Gracious God help me to pray for your happiness I was delighted to hear you war pleased with Mr

Blackman and the other two Clergymen & the society in jeneral our Little Andrew is well the most affectionate Little Darling on Earth often dos he ask me in bed not to cry. Sweet pappa will Come home to you again feel my Cheeks to know if I am sheding Tears. One of them Extreem Cold nights he got a little vext and said he wondered his pappa did not Come home & sleep with him in his big bed on sunday last Mamma said he lets go to Nashville & See if he is ther. I told him wher you wer gone he said dont Cry Sweet Mama, you cant think how that has supported me in my trials. I wish I was with you, vain wish pray my Dear write to me often Its a cordial its balm to my mind lonesome hours I treasure Them up as [a] miser does his gold. I could write more to your satisfaction Could I refrain from tears But you know how to make allowances for me.

Catharine Caffery returned in a few Days after you set out the stock wants ther Masters Eye all your household regrets your absence all wishing & praying your Return. I paid Fields Every Cent that I Did not send you In my Letter, he was not satisfied then borrowed thirty Dollars and paid him he was going aboute trying to sell your Note I have made nearly Enough to pay him off.

Sister Hays Mrs. McKeane Mrs Jackson Mr. Small Catharine sends their best wishes to you please to present mine to Mr.

Blackman A. Hines Carroll, and may the Almighty God of heaven Shower down his blessings his mercy on you assist you in the ways of life in the ways of righteousness be your Shield in the time of dainger support you in all things, keep you in the paths of wisdom the way therof is peace. Farwell think on me your Dearest friend on Earth.

Rachel Jackson

Mr A. Jackson

Endorsed: Rachel Jackson
to
Mr. A. Jackson

Head Quarters Near Washington 20 Feby 1813

Agreeable to an Order Issued by Colo John Coffee to Cause a Court Martial to be called Consisting of the following Members (to wit) Capt Bradley Capt Smith Capt Terrell to try and determine the Case of Mansfield P. Crow a private in Capt Lettons Troop of Volenteer Cavalry and now under Gard to answer for the following Charges ~~(to wit)~~

Specification of Charges

Charge 1st Disobedience of Orders
2nd Insulting his messmates
3rd Destroying provisions
4th Tripping up Peter Brison when Running at full Speed then Saying he would whip any man that Came within his Limit

The Court Convened agreeable to order the Prisoner being Brought into Court pleads Guilty to all the Charges and Justification to the fourth the Court is of opinion that the P. Crow is guilty of all the aforesaid charges and that he be Conducted to the Capt of the Gard then Tyed to a Stake post or tree at Least Ten feet from the fire then kept untill 9 Olock tomorrow without eating any thing.

T. Bradley prt

The Col. Commanding the Regiment of Cavalry approves and confirms the above sentence of the Court, and order the sentence to be put in execution immediately

Jno Coffee Col. Comdg.
Regt. T. V. Cavalry
Feby 1813

[redacted]

At a General Court martial whereof Lt. Colo
John Alcorne of the Cavalry was President
was tried Joseph Thompson on the charge
of disobedience of Orders & Insolence, to
which charges the Prisoner pleaded not
Guilty. Whereupon the Court upon
mature deliberation find the Prisoner Guilty
of the charges exhibited against him, and order
that the said Joseph Thompson be confined on
a wooden horse with his hands tied be
=hind him three several times each day
for six days and twenty minutes each
time with 10.lbs weight suspended to
each foot — That during the ridings it
is Ordered he be confined in stocks by
the Capt. of the Guards — The ridings
to Commence at nine twelve & three
each day

The Major Genl. approves the
Sentence of the Court martial and
Orders it to be Carried into execution

By order of the Genl.
And. Hynes
Aid de Camp

Head Quarters
March 9. 1813

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The General Court martial whereof Lt Col. John Alcorn is President is hereby dissolved. March 9. 1813

By order of the Genl.

Andw Hynes
aid de[camp]

D. Gl. } Indianfields May 11 1813

my old Friend Col Lynch has
Came to Tenasee to see What Can be done
With Nancy Taylor. I should have written to you
long since had I known you had turned
home not hearing a word from my man
for at least 3 months I have been entirely
at a loss What to do. not a man gave one
Dollar Without the Thousand Dollars has
Very much hurt me to my Friends to
Raise it However that Difficulty is over I have
Every Dollar and Will be With you at one
Monday the 23 of this Instant month Accidents
!.200 Excepted in the mean time may my
good Friend amongst others as I mean
you Gl. Over or J McCalmon dont
let Col Lynch ~~[illegible]~~ lack for any thing that
he may want towards hunting my man

in good order and as I have made so
unpopular a Race I will lose Every
Dollar my self then no one will have
a right to blame me so at the same time
I will not refuse any of my Friends going
if they wish it I John Jouett tell you
Gen. Jackson has not a nag in the
World of Haney's mare dine that can
give her a Distance in two mile
if she is in order. Haney's party is very
grid fools for if the Race is so ~~[illegible]~~ Dino
if they will come to Kentucky and
Run the same Race I will insure them
to get bitted from 5 to 10 thousand
Dollars and no Questions Asked what
nag they will chose to run Co. Lynch
Was one of the finest Jockeys in the World

one ...
Paying ...
Books ...
of ...
he ...
to ...
the ...
till ...
We ...
Gen J...
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thousand
[illegible] Ashd what
[illegible] Co lynch
[illegible] the World

one that has been out of the Habit of
Praying for these last 15 or 20 years. but he yet
thinks if it is in the mare he can bring it back
of Hem and Hartoke [illegible] trouble because
he sees me intirely Without some one
to back my mare, I told at my Extreme
She Will be fixed When it is the most Suitable
till I get Down Which Will be Within one
Week of the ~~[illegible]~~ 1st this I am Sure

yr Sincerely

Gl Jackson

J Jointe

NB if my head went to
D [illegible] of Rajong I would say a good deal
on the [illegible] J J

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I am Very unwell at
this time

J J

Genl. Andrew Jackson

Co. Lynch [illegible]

COPY

Washington City

June 25, 1813

Dear Sir,

The Government has determined to raise a Regiment of 12 months men in Tenn: The Secretary informs me that in consequence of that determination it is not intended to call into service the detachment that was under your command, or any other detachment of militia, or volunteers at this time. Mr. Williams of Knoxville, has been appointed Col. & Mr. Benton Lt. Col. of the Regiment intended to be raised. The other Officers are not yet appointed.

You will have learned the operations of our armies on the fronteers of Cannada, the capture of York, Fort George, Queenstown, Erie, &c. these events have certainly changed the aspect of our Military operations. The late capture of our two Generals Wynder, Chandler, is an extraordinary event, considering that their troops at the same time maintained their grounds with little loss on our side (except the two Generals) defeating the enemy with considerable loss. Our operations in that quarter may in a great degree be suspended for two or three weeks until we have the command of Lake Ontario, the campaign will then progress, it is hoped with vigor. In the meantime Harrison may no doubt take possession of Detroit & Malden, for it is believed most of the British troops have left those places. We have no important news from abroad, but such are now daily expected

from the North of Europe. I incline to believe, Bonapart has before this driven the Rusians out of Prusia and probably out of Poland.

With much respect, I am Sir

Your Mst. Obdt. Svt.

G. W. Campbell

Gen. Andrew Jackson

Endorsed: 25 June 1813

G.W. Campbell
to
Genl. Andrew Jackson
Relative to raising New Regts.
and Officering them. &c. &c.

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Nashville, July 9th 1813.

Sir,

Shortly before the Tennessee Volunteers ascended the Mississippi under your command it was proposed by Col. Coffee that we (the field officers) should remonstrate to the President against serving under the command of Wilkinson. Five or six of us were present. I objected to it; gave my reasons in detail, and was joined by all the officers present. The remonstrance was no further pressed by Col. Coffee.

About the same time in two conversations which I had with you I took the liberty of pointing out the unhappy effect it would have upon the public service and our own reputations if, after going into the department assigned to the command of Gen. Wilkinson, we should raise a question about submitting to his authority.

After recalling these things to your mind I have the honor to request that you will inform me whether you have caused it to be communicated to the war department that the Tennessee Volunteers would not fight under the orders of General Wilkinson?

Respectfully, Sir

Thomas H. Benton.

(B) Note the remarks on the other side A. J.

Major General Jackson

Nashville

Hermitage July 15th 1813

Sir

I am requested to make known to you that through you the may be made known to the proper officer the wishes of Doctor Armstrong he has a desire to enroll himself as one of the defenders of his country – finding that his voluntary services tendered and accepted of under the act of February 6th, & July 6th, will not be further required – he wishes to enter the regular service – he will accept of a majority or a captaincy under Col. Williams – you personally know the Doctor I need say nothing of his merit, he is young robust healthy & he served as Surgeon for the Regt. of Cavalry, under my command and demeaned himself well

Mr. John S Williamson will accept of a Lieutenancy or ensign in said Regt. he is personally known to you – he has served in the guards and has some knowledge of discipline – on the recruiting service

I have to ask of you to send me a copy of a letter I wrote

your
before I descended the river with my detach=
of Tennessee Voluntiers — in and to you
=ment, stating the disquietude of the Detach
ordered under the
=ment on the idea of being commanded
by Wilkinson — and stating to you the
spirit with which as a soldier I took the
field &c — I have no recollection of writing
you but ~~the~~ one letter on this subject — I
find I have sent the copy of ~~that~~ one to
you on this subject, and that is endorsed
by Colo. Benton — If the letter to you is
in my hand writing, all I want is a
copy — if not in my hand writing
I wish you to keep a copy, and send
me on the original, or enclose it to
Major Hays Nashville, with instruc
=tions to let me have the use of it — I
wish you also, to say whether, you
other
have ever recd. any from me on that
the month of october 1812
subject, since ~~[illegible]~~
of Volunteers
~~Detachment~~ has ~~been [illegible]~~
also
~~Government~~ I have to ask of you in
answer to this ~~[illegible]~~ to state whether
city
Colo. Benton whilst at washington &c
state to you that I was to oppose you

to at next election for representative or Congress or
not — These appear trivial requests, but
from some events ~~[illegible]~~ this day
~~[illegible]~~, the copy of my letter ~~to you~~
may be material — the letter is satisfactory
to honor —

I am respectfully yr obt

Andrew Jackson

~~P.S. on the receipt of this I shall expect you to write me~~

I am advised Major Carroll will
not accept of a majority in the Regt.
to be raised in this state — rumor says
Major West will not — there may be
room for Mr Alexander Donelson
& Armstrong A. J —

Not copied —

83 ingratitude is a crime of ~~the~~ the blackest ~~[illegible]~~ demon
deel a lear a ~~monster~~ — ~~[illegible]~~ I want
~~[illegible]~~ therefore a copy of my letter ~~[illegible]~~
and to request you carefully to preserve the
original of in my hand writing —

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Copy to Felix
Grundy July
15th. 1813

COPY

Nashville, 21st July 1813

Shortly after Col. Thomas H. Bentons return from the lower Country with the troops under the command of Major Genl Andrew Jackson, Col Benton with myself and others (whose names I do not now recollect) were dining at Mr. Clayton Talbot's Tavern at which time I heard Col. Benton speak of Genl. Jackson in the highest terms of panegyrick. I have heard many of the Volunteers pass enconiums on their General but no person has ever spoken in my presence in warmer (apparently) terms of friendship of the General than Col Benton. He spoke emphatically of the solicitude the General felt for the wellfare of his men, and his magnanimity in not discharging them on receipt of the order of discharge from the War Department.

Wm. Quarles

Endorsed: July 21,1813
Wm. Quarles
to
Genl. Jackson
Certificate in
relation to remarks made
by Col. Benton to Genl.
Jackson.

COPY

Having been requested by Genl. Jackson to state substantially a desultory conversation, that transpired between Mr. Williams and myself at Franklin relative to expressions used by Col. Benton concerning Gen. Jackson, I feel no hesitancy in committing to writing my recollection of what passed between Mr. Williams, and myself.

I understood from Mr. Williams, that Col. Benton had applied to Genl. Jackson a variety of harsh and approbious epithets, said to have been extracted from the former in consequence of the part acted by the latter in a duel between Maj. Carroll, and Jesse Benton, Esqr. among which were, that Genl. Jackson was a hypocrit, acted under false covering by pretending to be a common friend to Maj. Carroll and Jesse Benton his brother, but availed himself of his friend Maj. Carroll, of a most unjustifiable advantage, of the right given the challenged party, in prescribing the mode, and distance of fighting - that he would have estimated more highly the character of Genl. Jackson, had he assasinated his brother privately; and that to cap the climax he believed Genl. Jackson to be a hollow hearted scoundrel.

These are the impressions that are now in my mind, the precise words are not pretended to be recollected.

L.P.Montgomery

Endorsed: L.P.Montgomery
to
Genl. Jackson
Certifying to the language
used by Col. Benton to Genl
Jackson.

COPY

Nashville August 4th 1813.

D[r] Sir

Yours of the 25th ulto. is now before me, the reasons assigned in my Note of 19th ult. is too obvious to require any further explanation on my part, but it was due to friendship which has so long existed between us that I deem it proper to write thus much to you. In our passage through life, and this transitory condition of things, I have ever found that it were better to sail through its paths of trouble smoothly & the social intercourse, and amminitys of friendship are considerations requiring us to think before we act. It is evident from my letter, that I doubted with respect to the correctness of these reports. You have fully explained yourself. No doubt, or difficulty, remains respecting the present disposition of your mind. Whether correctly placed is for yourself to determine after a cool and dispassionate review, after the explanation I shall make. This explanation is due to myself, the highest tribunal on earth in point of honor, which I have ever considered as indispensable attendants on friendship, you are however not to understand that I consider friendship as still existing. Your language cannot be misunderstood, it is that of hostility in the extreme. This appears the more extraordinary, as you never had called on me, either personally or verbally, through a friend or by letter, for an explanation.

You were a young man in the practice of the Law of

of reputed sprightliness, of talents, and attention, in this situation about eighteen months ago (the date not recollected) on Capt. Andersons resignation as My Aid de Camp he recommend[ed] you warmly to my notice as his successor. At this time my acquaintance with you was but slight. Major Carrolls capacity, his constant, and unremitted attention to his duty, and living in my family, I had conceived a friendship for him, in the same manner I had for you, brought about by your acting as my aid & hope it will not be imputed as a fault, much less a crime that I have formed a good opinion of another besides yourself. For both I entertained the most friendly disposition. This brings me to the time of your departure for the City of Washington, and which is referred to in my note.

In your absence Major Carroll came to my house, stated to me, that he had been assailed in his reputation, and that he was about being challenged, oppressed by accumulated insults & injuries from different quarters. I then, & still beleive Major Carroll to be a man of honour & worth, and it is well to remark that at this time Major Carroll had received by another hand, beside your brother, and with his knowledge a challenge to fight the friend of Mr. Johnston.

It was well known Major Carroll had declined having anything to do with fighting Mr. Johnston for causes I know nothing of. I had no personal enmity against any of the

parties concerned, your brother included, whom I s[c]arcely knew. It was because I knew your brother was not the first person who bore an inimecal note to Major Carroll. In the course of these transactions, It became, in the opinion of Major Carroll indispensably necessary that he should answer your brothers note, though pressed by honorable feelings by the note of the other individual, to whom allusion is made. He thought honor bound him to do so. I was the bearer of that note. In this stage I hoped to compromise the affair honorably for both parties. It was not understood to be a challenge, nor do I believe any individual ought to view it in that light.

Your brother seemed to think it must be viewed as a challenge or containing such language as was intended to extract a challenge. I had received Major Carrolls assurances that it was not intended for either purpose. I assured your brother it was not, nor should it be considered in that light and requested him to consult with some experienced and honorable friend. He mentioned an individual to whom I assured him, his honor might be confided.

I sincerely wished a compromise, honorable to both parties might be consumated. I bore no enmity against your brother, perhaps it was unfortunate for me in this particular affair, acting on mistaken ground, wether from impetuosity or otherwise, I had desired that he would take a different view of the subject & thereby avert all further trouble, but

in vain, whilst however I desired that every thing should be correct and honorable accommodations made for both parties, but to my amasement and astonishment, your brother decid[ed] to fight Major Carroll. Was I Sir, to abandon my friend in this situation? Because your brother thought proper to intrude himself into the disputes of other men, in which in principles of honor he was not bound to take any part. Could you or any man living expect I would abandon a friend at this moment, (let who would unexpectedly obtrude himself). Suppose Carroll had a brother, and you in his situation, would you expect me to abandon you? If you would Sir, I know myself incapable of such an act. It seems to me however, that the mode of fighting, which took place in the affair of your brother, was pecularly exceptionable, and has excited such a lively sensibility as to cause you to loose sight of that decorum of language, which gentlemen use & is always expected from them in any situation. You certainly might on cool reflection have known and reason to believe, that there was no necessity to adopt this language.

Endorsed: Nashville Aug.4.1813.
Andrew Jackson to
Thos. H. Benton.
Fragmentory letter in
refference to the duel
between Jesse Benton &
Major Carroll.

From the Governor [illegible]

manner of your first communication you

Could not believe me so lost to feeling as to expect the

an answer, it was easy to collect from your

letter that your feelings were conserned, and as the

interrogatories were not prepared for any

reasons for putting them, it was natural for

me to conclude you did not expect an answer

to a letter couched in such language but that you in-

tended it for some other purpose, the aspect

of things are changed by your letter under

review. As a part of this explanation it may

be with propriety be given — you have

not hazarded an opinion that I had written

to the Secretary of war though [illegible] from his office

The letter of [illegible] Grundy on [illegible] in con

[illegible] you had acknowledge of before [illegible]

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establishment and may be placed [illegible]

commanding Genl Wilkinson [illegible]

=petitions to your Bloaney [illegible]

as blending with them, as [illegible]

=sistent with propriety so far [illegible]

me — In Justice to myself [illegible]

you a particular [illegible] of the [illegible]

I had [illegible]

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July 28 (?) 1813.

Further por[illegible]
Correspon[illegible]
by the co[illegible]
Bassett.

that those of whom we have [illegible]
right and others wrong. Sensibility [illegible] is highest
stages cannot stop to view things in a cool and
dispassionate manner. — There will soon be time
to enquire into the particulars of this affair, and
for cool deliberate reflection, attended by feelings
of honor, to resume its seat.

After this explanation it is expected you will
do me the justice to believe that the harsh and
indecorous [illegible] you have thought proper
to adopt, were unmerited, and that you will
retract them. — But should you believe that
because your brother made his appearance in
hostile array that all my connections in life must
instantly dissolve, it would certainly be a mistake
of which you will be convinced on the
slightest reflection. — Thus Sir I have fully
[illegible] frankly explained the circumstances of the
[illegible] to you — If satisfactory I shall be gratified,
[illegible] otherwise, and you persist in the course
[illegible] seem to have taken, I am always amen-
[illegible] to the process of honourable men —
[illegible] your letter puts it out of my
[illegible] hold any further communication
[illegible], except you shall be convinced you
[illegible] me injustice and so state it in writ-
[illegible] — My friend Mr James Jackson
[illegible] hands you this is authorised to
receive

Copy

As it respects the particular affair under discussion, had Maj. Carroll left the distance to me, after having heard and understood the qualifications of the two persons opposed to each other, I should have recommended him to have fought at a short distance. It was reported and acknowledged that your brother was a first rate marksman at the distance of ten paces & Maj. Carroll is as remarkably defective; hence then the necessity of bringing them to a short distance so as to place them on an equality. To the extent of my influence it certainly became my duty to see that my friend should be on an equality with his antagonist. In no other way could this be done, except reducing the distance that marksmen usually select, to something like the same number of feet. Nothing was concealed from your brother that could with propriety have been made known to him. The whole transaction on our part was honorable & just. ...

Your answer if determined on[e] or other of two grounds and no other viz: that you are sensible of having done me an injustice, or a demand of such satisfaction as one man of honor thinks he has a right to ask of another. This Sir, I have a right to expect from the Military Commission which you now hold. This Sir, comports with the magnanimity of a soldier, if in error to say so, or promptly demand of me satisfaction for any injury you may think I have done you.

There will soon be time to enquire into the particulars

of this affair, and for cool deliberate reflection, attended by feelings of honor, to resume its seat.

After this explanation, if it is explained, you will do me the justice to beleive that the harsh & indecorous expressions you have thought proper to adopt, were unmerited, and that you will retract them.

You have not regarded an assertion that I had written to the Secretary of War though lately from his office. The letter to Mr. Grundy our delegate in Congress you had a knowledge of before, it is herewith transmitted.

Your letter puts it out of my power to hold any further communication with you, except you shall be convinced you did me injustice and so state it - - - My friend Mr. Jas. Jackson is authorized to hand you this and to receive your reply.

Andrew Jackson

We the undersigned, the friends of Major Wm
Carroll and Mr Jesse Benton in the affair of honor
which took place between them, have thought fit
to commit to writing an account of the progress
and termination of that affair which was as follows,
On Friday June the 11th 1813 Mr Benton handed
to Genl. Jackson a challenge addressed to Mr Carroll,
which Mr B. stated had been drawn from him in
consequence of a note which he (Mr B) had received from
Mr C— Genl Jackson informed Mr B. that the
note of Mr C to Mr B. could not be viewed as a
challenge and that he was authorised by Mr C to say so,
and advised Mr B to consult some honorable experienced
man before he acted finally — Mr Benton persisted
in his challenge which was instantly accepted
On Sunday the 13th of June Mr Armstrong
introduced himself to Genl. J. as the friend of Mr B,
for the purpose of drafting the Rules which were
to govern the parties in the intended meeting,
At this interview Genl. J. observed to Mr A.

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that the affair had
assumed an aspect different from what he wished
and that he had endeavored to impress on Mr B's
mind that Mr C's note ought not to have been viewed
in the light which it had been. Mr Armstrong
replied that Mr B. informed him that Genl. J. had
assured him (B) that C's letter ought not to be
viewed as a challenge. We then proceeded to the duty.
Genl. Jackson drew up a rough copy, which Mr A.
took to his friend to get his sanction. On his
return Mr A. informed Genl. J. that Mr B. objected to
the distance as being too short. Genl. J. replied that
he had understood that Mr Benton was an excellent
marksman, and that he was convinced Mr C was not,
and that Mr C had chosen the distance of ten
feet that he might be on an equality with
Mr B. whereas had the distance been thirty feet
Mr B would have had a decided advantage over
Mr C. Genl. J. however stated he would inform Mr C
of Mr B's objections to the distance and get his
answer. He saw Mr C and he adhered to the
distance of ten feet. Mr B. brought Mr A.

expressed some objection to wheeling but I
for preferring that mode gave for his reason, that
frequent instances had occurred in this country
when persons had discharged their pistols at their
antagonists before the word was given and that this
measure would entirely prevent an occurrence
of that kind — an occurrence which would
place one or other of the undersigned under
the painful necessity of shooting the offender
so offending. The Rules were at length drawn
up, save the *time* of meeting which was left
blank — but in the course of the day Mr A
was to inform Genl. I at what time the interview
on the evening of the saturday
was to take place. He (Mr A) did so, and
named Monday Morning June 14 1813 at
Six OClock. Accordingly the next
morning in due time Genl I and Mr C.
arrived on the ground, soon after Mr A
without Mr P also arrived, and informed Genl I
that being compelled to leave town the preceding
evening precipitately they had left behind

the pistols and asked of Genl. J. reasonable
time to procure one, which Genl J. allowed
observing that it was not his intention to
take any advantages. — Mr A. and Mr P.
a short time after six o'clock made their
appearance on the ground, and the distance
was measured — Genl. J. proceeded to load
his pistol and requested Mr A. to choose him
a round smooth ball, he did so, and Genl
J. then chose one of the same description for
Mr P. Mr P. about this time enquired of
Genl. J. the manner in which they might
wheel. Genl. J. explained it to Mr Benton
by wheeling ~~+~~ in three different modes
before him either of which Mr P. was informed
he was at liberty to follow. Genl J. first informed
him (Mr P.) that he might place his left heel
in the hollow of his right foot — that he might
stand with his feet close together or that
he might stand with them apart, and
wheel in either of these positions. When Genl J.
wheeled in the presence of Benton he did

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to walk his body perfectly erect. Mr A. in behalf of Mr P. won the choice of the position at which the parties were to stand when they fired — He also won the privilege of giving the word fire! The parties took their stands and Mr A. very accurately gave the words Prepare! ... Fire! — Both parties fired at the same instant. In wheeling Mr P. did not wheel exactly — but came round in a ~~[illegible]~~ stooping position with his body considerably prostrated... Immediately after the affair Genl J. went after Mr C's attending Surgeon for the purpose of assisting Mr P. When he returned he understood Mr P was complaining about some transaction in the affair and he (Genl J.) called on Mr A. to state emphatically in the presence of Doct. Robertson whether or not Maj. C & himself (Genl J.) had not acted fairly and honorably through out the whole affair. Mr A. replied distinctly that they had.

Mr. M. also made a similar declaration
in the presence of Washington L. Hannum,

Done at Nashville August 23. 1813.

Teste
Thos H. Fletcher } Andrew Jackson
Wm Armstrong

II. I stated to Col Benton after
his return from Washington that
Genl Jackson and Maj. Carroll had
acted fairly and honorably through
out the whole affair so far as
came within my knowledge.
August 23. 1813. Wm Armstrong

Teste
Thos H. Fletcher }

Original account of the affair between Benton & Carroll, left with me by Genl Jackson & Mr Armstrong

[illegible]

This is to remain in my possession, [illegible]

Gave Mr A a Copy August 25. 1813, and the other Gent [illegible] a Copy August 30. 1813

On the

day of June 1813 [illegible]

[illegible]

On the   day of June 1813 Genl. Jackson

han.

Original account
of the affair between
Benton & Carroll, left
with me by Genl Jackson
& Mr Armstrong
Ths H Bn

This is to remain in
my possession. [illegible]
[illegible]

Gave Mr [illegible] a Copy
August 25. 1813, and to others
have sent a Copy
August 30. 1813

COPY

Sept 6th 1813

Dear General,

McNairy refused to send the letter, I will get certificates of the contents, I would have been up to stay with you tonight but understood that Mr. Deadrick and Mr. Little wood be with you, and I have a desire to compleat the whole publication relative to the business, which will be lengthy. In the morning I will see you, and shew you what I have done. Great God! what a world is this? * I know my own heart, and know I would be among the last men who would forsake you in the hour of danger. I hope you beleive so.

Yours with respect

Wm. Carroll.

* I am harrowed to the soul by false reports.

Endorsed: Sept 16.1813.

Wm. Carroll
to
Genl. A. Jackson
In regard to certain letter
and business.

Dear Mrs Hays Genl. Jackson arrived here yesterday and is a mending fast Stockly with him and his Return Stockley has the appointement of Quartr Master Genl. I shall be Obledged to Remain here to Inspecth the whole of the army which will be probably Ten or Twelve days I have been down below Huntsville and Inspected the Cavalry and Mounted Infantry which are about 1600 the Infantry are a comming in fast Battn. Butler is a comming on I am Told I wish he had have Stayd as Stockley has come our Troops will handle the Creeks with ease they will not Stand a Genrl. engagement I think The Cavalry will do Their business you will be loansom when we are all gone but I will Soon be at home with you John Ward will I hope do the best he can have the Rye got out and Secured in Tubs and have the Spring Lott Sown in Rye very thick, and have the the field Joining the Timothey patch of corn gathred and Secured I know you will assist in gathering the corn the Sooner its Secured the better my Love to all my Children and tell them I want to be with them and to Mrs Jackson and tell her that her Good Lord and Master is in high Spirits and a mending fast, Captn. White is the Genl. Secretary a brave Fellow

I Remain yours &c &c

Robert Hays

Fayetteville Septr 8th 1813

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~~Benton difficulty~~

Hays Letter

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Mr Jackson

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James Hays

Poplar Grove

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Sept. 16th 1813

Maj. Wm. Carroll,

The challenge which you addressed to me in your publication of yesterday is accepted. The bearer is authorized to meet the person you will send to him as your friend, and the instant that friend produces your written authority to bind you by his signature, the bearer will produce to him the time, and mode of meeting, and give him a copy thereof.

Respectfully &c
s
Tho. H. Benton

Note: Mr Williams is used in sending the notes becaus being unknown he will excite no suspicion. On the ground another gentleman will be my friend, whose name I will deliver in writing to yours.

T. H. Benton.

Endorsed: Sept. 16th 1813

Col. Benton
to
Maj. Wm. Carroll
Challenge

COPY

Sept. 16th 1813

Col. Thos H. Benton,

Sir,

Yours by Mr. Williams has been received. The communication I made to the public cannot be misunderstood. I challanged no man. I said if my remarks caroded your feelings, you could see me on any day before Saturday. I say so still. If you make an honorable demand of me there will be no delay on my part, in making known to you the time, distance, and mode.

Respectfully

Wm.Carroll.

Endorsed: Wm. Carroll
to
Col. Thos. H. Benton.
Note.

COPY

Hermitage, Sept. 29th 1813.

Dr Col.

On yesterday when I wrote you I was so much interrupted with company that I fear my letter was not very intelligable, hurried on all sides with starting my runners to endeavour, out of the mass of contradictory rumors & information through so many contradictory channels, to acquire some, correct information, added to the pain of my arm, all combined to confuse my ideas. In the midst of my letter, the express arrived with Gaines letter covering one from Judge Tollman, the former I had copied & enclosed to you, the latter contained the intelligence that the Creeks were collecting all their force and in conjunction with the Spaniards, intended to make an attack on Mobile, and great fears were entertained that, that post would be carried before relief could be afforded. You are in possession of the other rumour from the Choctaw interpreter that the Creeks are moving with their families to cross the Missippi at the Chickasaw Bluffs, other rumours that the Creeks are collecting all their force to attack Huntsville, and the fronteer of Tennessee.

These various rumours are in my opinion created by the British agents to amuse and distract us & draw our attention from their true point of attack. They will never abandon their notion until they are severely drubed, & that they will concentrate their whole force at some point where

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they can, be best supported by their allies, The British and Spanyards & it is highly probable that there whole force may be bent against Mobile, Correct information is all important before we make a movement with our whole force. You will therefore, on your to (sic) Fort St. Stephens (to wich point on the most mature reflection, it is best for you with all the force that meets you at Huntsville, you had better expiditiously proceed) if you should collect information that the Creeks are about to make a movement with their families, you will take an advantageous situation, at a point, best calculated to intercept them & advise me thereof by express, and by forced marches, I will form a junction with you, with my Infantry, leaving a sufficient escort to bring up the supplies. Should you find that they are not moving from the Nation with their families but are contemplating, an attack in conjunction with the Spaniards at Mobile, you will immediately notify me by express, and give me the information whether the force in that quarter is sufficient to check them with yours united, & whether from that point an attack upon the Nation would not be as favorable to success as from Dittos landing. I shall exert all my industry to save Mobile, leaving General Cockes Division to co-operate with the Georgians and enter the Nation by the way of Coosa river - Keep me well advised from every point. The Creeks must be scurged, & if we can get the other troops from Tennessee (east) to move with

expidition & I can get supplies we can envelop them.

If I enter the Creek Country down the Coosa, I shall order you to join me at some point where you can do it in safety. Should the 3rd Regt. of U. S. Infy. be ordered to cooperate with me, and I am advised thereof, I shall order a junction at some point in the heart of the Nation. for all this information I shall rely on you for, and act accordingly.

May the Gods protect you

Andrew Jackson

Col. Jno. Coffee.

Endorsed: Andrew Jackson
to
Col. Jno. Coffee

24 days after
fight with Benton

A.

Fellow Soldiers

The period so ardently desired & so long looked for, by you, is arrived. An opportunity is at length afforded you, of manifesting your devotedness to your Country, & avenging the Cruelties Committed upon your defenceless fellow Citizens by the infatuated Creeks. We are about to furnish them a lesson of awful admonition. We are about to teach them & their faithless Allies, that there is a point at which forbearance ceases to be a virtue; & that mercy may be long indulged without implying either Cowardice, or insensibility to wrong. They stand in need of such a warning. In proportion as we have borne with their insults & submitted to their outrages, have they been multiplied in number & aggravated in atrocity. But the Cup was already full; & they have now added the drop which must make the waters of bitterness overflow. The blood of our women & children recently spilled on the Mobile by these inhuman butcherers, shall not call for vengeance in vain. Their manes shall be appeased. Our borders must no longer be disturbed by the yell of savage vengeance & the shrieks of torture. By the light of their own fires shall they see the gleamings of that sword which they have compelled us to unsheath, in the heart of their own Country shall they feel the weight of that power they have so long insulted; & which, because it was merciful, they believed to be impotent. But how shall we wage this War so loudly

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called for by retributive Justice. Shall we imitate ~~the example~~ of our ~~every~~ enemy in the disorder of their movements & the Cruelty of their Operations. Is it worthy the character of American Soldiers who have taken up arms to redress their injured country, that they should assume no better model than that which is furnished them by barbarians? No! fellow soldiers. great as are the grievances we are called upon to redress, the commission of unmanly passions must not endanger or disgrace the cause we are concerned in, nor sully that reputation which we shall carry along with us. We must & will be victorious; but we must conquer as men who owe nothing to Chance; & who in the midst of victory can still observe Order. We must commence the Campaign by an inviolable attention to discipline & subordination. Without a strict observance of these, victory must ever remain uncertain; & ought hardly to be exulted in, even when obtained. What miscarriages have not our arms already experienced from the want of discipline, & subordination? Scarcely a defeat that has disgraced our armies in the North, & humbled the once proud name of American, but may be traced to this source. How glorious will it be to retrieve the reputation which they have lost; & restore to its original brightness that Escutcheon which has been so foully blotted! Who would not rejoice to belong to an army which shall be the first to give a turn to the scale of War? Your General who knows the ardor which inspires you, already anticipates the triumph which your observance of discipline will ensure you. For the establishment of the police of the

Comp he announces the following general order

B.

Fellow soldiers:

The period so ardently desired, & so long looked for by you is at length arrived. An opportunity is afforded you of at once manifesting your devotedness to your Country, & avenging the outrages committed upon your defenceless fellow-citizens by the infatuated Creeks. We are about to give them a lesson of awful admonition; we are about to teach them, & their still more faithless Allies that there is a point at which forbearance ceases to be a virtue, & that mercy may be long indulged without any just ground for the imputation of cowardice, or insensibility to wrongs. They stood in need of such a warning. In proportion as we have borne with their insults & submitted to their outrages, have been the number & the atrocity of their depredations. But the cup is now full; & they have added the drop which is to make the waters of bitterness overflow. The massacre of our women & children will admit of no farther forbearance. They must feel the weight of that power which they have so long insulted &

devils; & which, because it was merciful, they be-
-lieved to be impotent. But what is incumbent upon
us in order to furnish this salutary lesson? Shall we
imitate their example in cruelty & disorder. Is it
becoming Americans who have forborne so long, & who
are at length aroused to break in upon them with
the tumultuous confusion of savages, or the undiscrimina-
-ting cruelty of banditti. No, fellow soldiers! Great
as are the grievances we are called upon to redress
we must never permit the dominion of unruly
passions to disgrace the cause in which we are
engaged, or to sully that reputation which we shall
carry along with us. We must & will be victorious;
but we must conquer as men to whom victory is
a ... who owe nothing to accident or chance. We
must inviolably regard discipline & subordination:
without this, victory must ever be uncertain; & ought
hardly to be exulted in, even when obtained.
What miscarriages have not our arms already experi-
-enced for the want of discipline & subordination. Not
a defeat that has disgraced our army in the north, &
humbled the once proud name of American but may
be traced to this source. How glorious will it

D. Sir

On this day I march for Ditto landing

Inclosed is a return of the number of ~~the~~ [illegible] that is now here, under my order of the 24th [illegible] and [illegible] to tell, the number of men is 607 and out of that number 370 are without arms— ~~[illegible]~~ any aspect from Huntsville has just returned, and 160 muskets only can be obtained there any what is to be done to make up this deficiency— by order of the 9th instant will [illegible] I have to [illegible] thew you the State I have to say to any particular— I wish you will [illegible] Volunteer companies the deficiency will be req.d to make up of those brave indian fighters who have marched [illegible] 100 miles to fight the Indians with their [illegible] with such armed force as I possess I shall as soon as supplies of provisions can be had enter the creek country— and protect fort St. Stephens by a prompt movement into the heart of the creek nation

Letter to Gov. Blount

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I enclose you my order establishing anew the Police of the Camp, and my Genl order to the Tennessee Volunteers —

I regret extremely the defection of men and arms particularly when there were at least 4000 Volunteers well equipt and offering to march — and were turned back, by the officers, who prevented in a draft to bring commissioned captains in the field, whose pride would not permit them to march at the head of uncommissioned men — such men ought to be cashiered — I will arrest every Brigadier who fails to comply with my order of the 9th. instant

I recd. a letter from Genl Cock Cott Dought his advance is at highwassee I have sent on to him by express

I shall forward an express to the Governor of Georgia — this day

Rest assured I shall push the campaign, supplies will only detain me — I shall resque to conquer at the head of my few but brave Volunteers — health & respect A. J.

Head Quarters. Fort Strother Nov. 11th 1813

Dear Father, On the sixth recd information that there was a party of Indians advancing on us— the next morning at one OClk crossed the Coosa at the 10 Islands with a force consisting of about eight hundred Cavalry and mounted Riflemen and fourteen hundred Infantry— on the ninth in the morning came on their camp. about one thousand and forty strong— we advanced on them, we conquered them our victory would have been complete, and most glorious had not part of the Militia line broke. and reduced us to the necessity of ordering the corps de reserve consisting of 300 cavalry to dismount and stop the breach, for before we had them completely surrounded and not one man would have escaped: but our victory was glorious— History of Indian warfare does not furnish an instance of a more successfull champaign thus far nor, two better faught battles than those of Tallushatchee and Talledega— we returned this moment, retrograding thirty miles after an absence of four days, most fatiguing march without any provision for man & horse except a little parched corn and some cold flour

taken from the Indians — we lost fourteen killed four badly and eighty one slightly wounded — killed of the enemy which were found on the Ground two hundred & twenty eight no doubt as many more not found besides the wounded carried off I begin to fear the expedition will fail for the want of supplies never was an army so badly furnished — & why is the country has thousands of provisions which might be furnished. and shall a champaign which promises so much good fail for want of provisions; the justice the generous of our country forbid — To Govr Blount I refer for a more particular account of the action and champaign; our friends fought bravely, but escaped unhurt — business presses on every hand one hundred fatigue men wait upon me. I have not time to say more Adieu

Your affectionate Son

S. D. Hays

Col Robert Hays
near Nashville
Tenn.

Express

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Nashville Nov. 20th. 1813

Dear General

Your favour of 31st. ulto. only came to hand a few days since you do not say a word about your arm I regret to find from Col Parrish that it is not near so well as I could wish, I fear my dear Genl. you make more exertions than prudence would dictate when you consider the situation (independent of person-al safety) you brave fellows would be in were you to be laid up for gods sake take care of your arm I send you by Colo. Parrish a Keg of Kirkmans good Madera at Mr. [illegible] Mrs Jackson was in Town last week, she is very well & has promised to spend Christmas at my House —

You never seen greater joy in Nashville than was produced by you even for every mouth is open ready to curse Genl. Cock. should it turn out (as many suspect) that his order to Genl. White was produced by that littleness of soul that many suspects him of but the Governor will not permit himself to believe, that the order of Cock was produced by any thing else than good intention

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and that he will immediately join you. I had
suggested to many the propriety of volunteers turning
out say 500, to reinforce you should it appear that
Cocke would not form a junction, the idea took well
with every person but Governor Blount & he merely
treated the matter coolly, saying he doubted whether
the contractor would issue rations, however should
it appear necessary I think a sufficient reinforcement
can be got —
We have been informed of your sufferings for want
of even meat & bread, but information is correct
you will for the future be amply supplied —
The Legislature have adjourned to meet at Nashville
again, after every Town from Knoxville to Port
Royal having a royal for it
We had handsome running this fall. Pacolet won
the first day with ease altho he lost the first heat
by the worst riding I have ever seen. he could have
distanced the field, & I would have made him do
so but for the foolishness of Colonel Ward, he
played the devil with us every way, had his

mouth been sealed up, could have had what
bets he pleased against Lyttes Horse, Colemans Horse,
Hoppins Mare & as it was could not get bets against
the field, I could only get $150 bet in that way tho
offered to bet $500 to $1000 even bets, Ward got Drunk
& made a race to run against Haineys mare for $1000
to run 4 mile Heats one week after the first day Jockey
Club race, without consulting either Mr Hutchings or
myself & he fairly foamed because I insisted on his
running for the purss swore he should not & I swore he
should not run his race, however after he got sober
acknowledged he had acted improperly but he had
then thrown us as to bets & I have to regret the Horse
had a slight lameness after his run for the purss
that prevented him from running Wards race —
Maclamores Colt won the second day with ease beating
Robertsons mare, Irvins mare, Colemans Horse, Wards W
Light & a Mosely Horse from Robertson, distanced all
I think except the first named, run the first heat
the real fat in 3:56 second heat in 3:52 & I think
him one of the best Colts I ever seen, a mare from
Christian Court House won the last day my respects
to Genl Coffee & all friends with best wishes yours
James Jackson

Major Genl. Andrew Jackson
Army of Tennessee

Mr. [illegible]

Wm. Anderson Esqr.
Nashville Novr. 18th
1813

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Col. Anderson's [illegible] Nov. 17. 1813

Ft Strother 3. Decr. 1813

Sir

Causes which it is unless to detail, because it is believed you are acquainted with them, have rendered it necessary that a new set of volunteers should be raised, for the purpose of finishing what the old ones have so successfully begun. Believing that your feelings correspond with my own on this subject, I take the liberty of requesting that you will contribute your exertions towards raising volunteers in your county. It will not do to abandon an object of so much importance to our country, & which we have already so nearly accomplished. Nothing, I believe, but the presenting a bold front, is necessary at this time to put an end to the Creek war. I have made arrangements to provide ~~any~~ against any such privations as we have hitherto experienced.

Genl. Cocke who is still in the Cherokee nation will form a junction with me, at this place on the 12th. & I shall shortly afterwards, re-

commence my operations beyond the Coosa. In a few weeks if I am supported as I expect to be, an end will be put to the Creek war.

I have written to Mr. Blackburn on the same subject whom I wish you to see

I am respectfully
Yr. Obt. St
Andrew Jackson

Majr. A Maury. Esq.

Nashville Dec. 4 — 1813

Dear Sir

Frequent expresses have been sent from the army to this place and other opportunities occurred yet not a line have you written me. However being in a little more Christian country than you at present I will practise its spirit and return good for evil. — The campaign I suppose will shortly close as the Indians seem disposed to cease the unequal contest, when you will return to enjoy the reflection of having served your country in danger, and in future time tell to your little sons the story of Indian warfare. — The practice of law nothing betters but rather grows worse; so that you have lost nothing even in a lucrative view by exchanging the Court house for a Camp. — What think ye of Gen. White's atchievement. With one heart, we almost clamorously rejoiced in the first events of success, but lest, we might wish mercy extended to us hereafter either from man or God we could not contribute to its exclusion from the earth by exulting that "sixty four Indians had been killed & two hundred taken prisoners without the loss of a man". It will not read well in history, or before the throne of Mercy. — I am very glad that Gen. Jackson's arm is getting well. —

nothing interesting from the north: to morrow's mail may bring something: if it does Maj. Searcy will inform you.

I addressed you a note at the last term of the Maury Court to acquaint you of the death of E. T. Perrin which I suppose you have not received, but doubtless have heard of the event. His widow is left in a distressed situation, far from her friends, without any claims upon the attention of any one. She is a fine little woman and ought to find a friend in every acquaintance. You being the only person here, known to her at home she has a great desire to see you.

Write me first Conveyance. Your friend

Chas. Manton

C. Manton to
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General Order

Fort Strother 15th December [1813]

The commanding General cannot avoid the expression of his regret, that at the very moment of meeting his Brethren in Arms from East Tennessee his pleasure should be marred and his prospects annihilated by the information that the period of seperation is so near. Altho we are divided by a lofty range of mountains and are generally distinguished by the appellation of East and West Tennesseeans yet we are one people bound together by the indissoluble ties of friendship — a reciprocity of wants, freedom of intercourse, and identity of interests; independent of the obligations imposed by the bond of our union. The Commanding General had fondly anticipated the period when he should have the honor of leading the brave and hardy sons of East, united with their Brethren of West Tennessee into the field..

This period is postponed but it will soon arrive. I know you will teach the cannibals who revelled in the carnage of our unoffending Citizens at Fort Meems, that the thunder of our arms is more terrible than the Earth quakes of their Prophets, and that Heaven Dooms to inevitable destruction the wretch who Smiles at the torture he inflicts and who neither spares female innocence declining age

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most helpless infancy. Your Commander had supposed that fifteen hundred of your corps were ordered into service for six Months agreeably to a requisition made by the President of the United States on the Governor of Tennessee and in conformity with an act of Congress authorising the President of the U.S. to call on the several States for their quotas of 100.000 militia

This order I am informed has never been carried into execution and it appears that all the troops now on duty from East Tennessee are only bound for a term of three Months service. This term with many has nearly expired and from causes over which the undersigned had no controul we have scarcely penetrated to the heart of the creek Nation. We must not relinquish the advantages we have gained. The troops whose term of service will expire in a short time will be hon[orably] discharged. But it is hoped that the same patriotic zeal which stimulated them so promptly and so bravely to encounter all the dangers and privations of this campaign where success has uniformly attended our arms will again [illegible] your efforts as soon as you are prepared to brave the inclemencies of the season. The commanding General would have lead on the East Tennesseans without delay had

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there been a probability or even a possibility of maintaining
~~the~~ his ground with the small force that will remain
~~when the~~ after that portion of ~~them~~ the troops are discharged whose
term of service will shortly expire. But Your com-
=mander flatters himself that you will unanimously
resolve though discharged to return with General Cocke
who is ordered into East Tennessee for the purpose
of ordering out and marching to this point the
fifteen hundred men required by the president to
be called out for ~~[illegible]~~ months. Having laid the
foundation collected and prepared the materials
your General is desirous that you should apply the
finishing hand to the temple of fame you have
begun. Even your children will dwell with rapture
on your noble achievements & a grateful country will not
fail acknowledge and reward your services. I trust I do not
appeal to your patriotism in vain. ~~Many of you~~ Every
young man whose presence is not indispensibly required
at home will certainly sieze this opportunity of
enrolling his name in the annals of his country. To
maintain the posts we have already established
requires a considerable force and in addition
a sufficient force must ~~rep~~ remain to keep open the
communication between these posts and protect
our transports

Sir

As you have now, two Aids, I conceive it of importance to know whether I am to be considered as the first, or the second.

I make this enquiry with considerable diffidence; but I am sure you will readily excuse me for wishing to understand clearly, in what capacity I am hereafter to appear with you.

Altho, I was appointed in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Fletcher - who seems to have been your second Aid - it was never my belief that I was to stand precisely in his sit=

=nation. Under a different impression I accepted, with great satisfaction, the appointment which you tendered me; & my first persuasion was subsequently confirmed by assurances from yourself. Has it been found expedient to make any arrangement different from that originally intended? —

I am very respectfully
Y. obt St
John Reid

Genl Jackson.

If any thing was improperly noticed in my letter of yesterday I lament it most sincerely, & entreat your forgiveness. Nothing was farther from my intention & my wishes than to give to your excellency a moments uneasiness. But a distinction having been made between your Aids which seemed to imply a difference of standing & of merit, I conceived it a very serious duty to myself to ascertain distinctly in which of these capacities I was to consider myself as appearing. That distinction being abolished I shall not have a sacrifice of feeling to make in addition to other sacrifices which I have made with great cheerfulness, in order to accompany you. Permit me to assure you General that there is not in the world a man for whom I feel higher respect, ~~or~~ nor one whom I would so gladly

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Serve in the Character of Aid

Majr General A Jackson

31st December 181[illegible]

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